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L. L. Sells SECRETARY,

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The Conference of 1935 has been another land mark in the history of the Rhodesia Mission work. In 1916, after twenty years of strenuous and fruitful work, Bishop J. C. Hartzell retired. His worthy successor Bishop Johnson, was elected at the same General Conference. He came to Africa with a far reaching vision of making Christ real to the people in the widely scattered Conferences South of the Equator. He has given of his strength and devotion to that great task. Perhaps his most notable achievement as an Administrator has been that of raising up a strong, devoted native ministry and leadership. Bishop Johnson has presided over his last session of the Conference in Rhodesia. Next May he will retire having, like his devoted predecessor, completed twenty years as a Bishop in Africa.

At his first Conference held at Oll Umtali in May 1917 the Conference extended its welcome to him in these words: "This time last year we were holding up to God our great need. We prayed that he would choose us a leader for Africa who would take up the burden of the black man and carry it far into the hearts of the people at home. How many times we have turned to God with this prayer and especially during the latter part of the General Conference meetings. And God has answered our prayers and sent to us His man. The workers in the Rhodesian field and the natives of our stations rejoice to welcome the Bishop and Mrs. Johnson as our leaders."

At his last Conference held at Old Umtali in July, 1935, our parting affections were expressed in the following words: Dear Bishop Johnson.

"In behalf of the Ministers and Missionaries of the Rhodesia Annual Conference, we, the senior representatives (Eddy H. Greeley and David Mandisodza), have been chosen to say a few words to you at this,- the last time you preside over our Conference, and we wish that Mrs. Johnson were here to share with you what we may say.

You, no doubt, realize with us how different the relation is which you hold to us, from that of our Bishops in the homeland. You have been our presiding officer and wise

advisor and loving co-worker for nearly twenty years, excepting the one year when Bishop Shepard was with us.

We have hereby learned to know and love each other better from year to year, and this heaven born grace has grown and ripened, as it should, into a friendship which we trust shall never end. Love and esteem are among the unseen things which are eternal and which absence and time can not efface.

As a token of our love and esteem toward you now, and to remind you in the years to come of our united labor of love for the Master in Rhodesia for five quadrenniums we, with pleasure, present to you this album of our work which in particular depicts the work as it now is, by Districts, but also has some historical interest in scenes from the early days of the work. We hope it may add to the joys of your coming years. We bid you Godspeed wherever our God of love plans for your future years, before He calls you to your eternal home."

"Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ." I Thess. 1.3.

Bishop Johnson responded:

"I am deeply moved. The tie that binds our haerts in Christian love is indeed strong. We have gone through seasons of joy and sorrow together. We have gone through many trying and glorious experiences together. We have all grown in the ways of the Christian life.

From boyhood I always wanted to come to Africa. I loved Africa for the sake of her people. As a lad I lay very sick in a hospital. There I read the life of David Livingstone and dedicated my life to go to Africa if God called me. Instead I went to America and went West to grow up with the country. There I found large numbers of good christian people who loved their Lord and remembered what Jesus said, 'Go into all the world.'

After many years the Lord sent me to Africa. I have been in the heart of the continent. I have seen its people who have never heard of Christ and have helped to open up the way for the gospel to be taken to them. I have been your Bishop during these years and rejoice with you in the fruits of your labours. Be steadfast and unmovable in Christ.

I am greatly and happily surprized with your parting gift. Here in this Album I can find pictures of you and your work. It will help me to remember you as you carry on in the years that are to come.

I bid you to rejoice in the strength of your young manhood. By and by I shall go as others who have grown old in the service and pass on. Some day you and I shall meet again. If not on earth in heaven we shall meet. There we shall know and love each other, singing songs of Moses and the Lamb.

I thank your very much for your kindness and this particular form of kindness that I shall treasure through the years."





PART 1.

OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE

(a). Of the Annual Conference

President-BISHOP EBEN S. JOHNSON D.D.

Secretary-E. L. Sells, P.O. Box 55, Umtali

Statistician - H. E. Taylor, Old Umtali

Treasurer-R. C. Gates, Mrewa

Registrar -T. A. O'Farrell, Nyadiri Mission, P. B. Salisbury

(b) Of the Lay Conference

President-Mrs. E. L. Sells, P. O. Box 55, Umtali

Secretary-Miss Sarah N. King, Native Girls' Hostel, Umtali

PART II.

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J. Nduna

1938 G. A. Roberts Miss I. M. Scovill M. J. Murphree T. A. O'Farrell R. Ngonyama

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1938 R. C. Gates R. Ngonyama J. Chimbadzwa

Board of Sunday Schools

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District Superintendents, Ex-officio.

(Term expiring)

1936 I. Munjoma Job Tsiga Paul Makande

Mrs. G. A. Roberts Miss I. M. Scovill P. Chieza 1938 Miss S. King Miss L. Tubbs Miss G. Clark I. Darikwa J. Chimbadzwa

Committee on Conference Relations

T. A. O'Farrell I. Darikwa W. Bourgaize J. Chimbadzwa M. J. Murphree Thomas Marange

Committee on Hospitals and Medical Work

H. E. Taylor Miss A. Whitney
Miss R. Hansson Mrs. R. C. Gates
Miss I. Gugin Mrs. L. E. Adkins
Mrs. E. L. Sells G. A. Roberts
Miss O. Penney Miss O. Parmenter

Committee on Interdenominational Relations

E. L. Sells R. C. Gates
W. Bourgaize I. Munjoma
T. Marange

Committee on State of the Church

T. A. O'Farrell

W. Bourgaize
Miss G. Clark
Miss M. O. Benson
G. A. Roberts
H. Katsidzira
P. Machiri

Thomas Marange
J. Rugayo
H. E. Taylor
R. C. Gates
L. E. Adkins
P. Machiri
B. Katsidzira
M. Katsidzira

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Mrs. M. J. Murphree S. Chieza

Committee on Memoirs

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Historical Committee

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G. A. Roberts
E. H. Greeley

T. A. O'Farrell
Miss F. Quinton

Committee on Conference Programme

Entertaining Pastor and District Superintendent.

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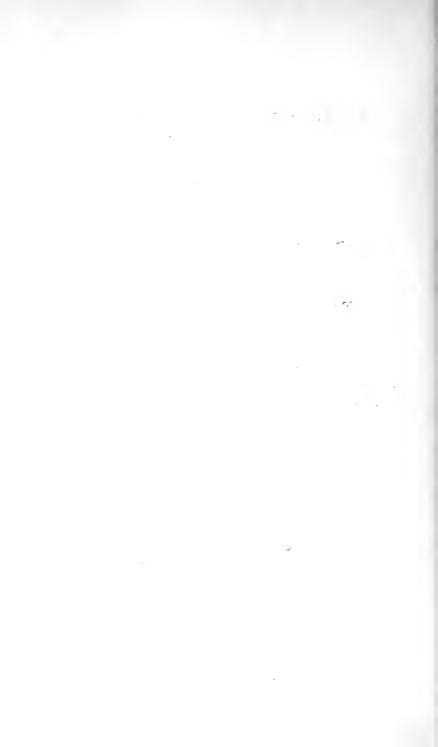
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PART III

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THE FIFTH SESSION OF THE RHODESIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

FIRST DAY, TUESDAY, JULY 9th, 1935.

Opening.—The Rhodesia Annual Conference assembled for its fifth session at 9:00 a.m Tuesday, July 9th, 1935 in the Church at Old Umtali, Bishop E. S. Johnson D.D. presiding.

Communion Service.—The Bishop conducted the Conference Communion Service and administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The service closed with the Benediction at 10 a.m. and the Conference went into recess.

Reconvened.—The Conference reconvened at 11 a.m. Bishop Johnson led in prayer.

Roll Call.—At the request of the Bishop the Secretary of the last Conference called the roll. The following were present:

L. E. Adkins
W. Bourgaize
P. Chieza
S. Chieza
J. Chimbadzwa
O. Chimonyo
I. Darikwa
C. Faku
R. C. Gates
A. Kapenzi
S. Kasambira
B. Katsidzira
H. Katsidzira

J. Maramba
Titus Marange
M. Mparutsa
Z. Mukombiwa
E. Munjoma
I. Munjoma
M. J. Murphree
M. Mutambanengwe
J. Nduna
R. Ngonyama
T. A. O'Farrell
G. A. Roberts
J. Rugayo
E. L. Sells
H. E. Taylor

Retired

E. H. Greeley

M. Katsidzira

P. Machiri D. Mandisodza

Preachers on Trial.

Luke Chieza Jonah Chitombo Jonah Machiri

Missionaries.

Mrs. L. E. Adkins Mrs. R. C. Gates Miss Ruth Hansson Miss Pearl Mullikin Mrs. M. J. Murphree Mrs. T. A. O'Farrell Mrs. G. A. Roberts Mrs. E. L. Sells Mrs. H. E. Taylor Miss M. O. Benson Miss Grace Clark
Miss Sarah King
Miss Ona Parmenter
Miss Oril Penney
Miss Frances Quinton
Miss Bertha Ramsey
Miss Ila Scovill
Miss Wilhemina Shields
Miss Lulu Tubbs
Miss Alice Whitney

Accepted Supply Pastors

Daniel Chitendera Shadrach Chitereka David Gurupira Moses Hunidzarira Solomon Kanyenze L. Kasambira Isaiah Madenyika Jotham Mapindu Mark Matanga James Mujeni Johnson Sachiti Robert Tsododo

Organization.

Secretary-

On nomination of M. J. Murphree, E. L. Sells was elected Secretary. On nomination of the Secretary, Miss Ila Scovill was elected the Assistant Secretary.

Treasurer-

On nomination of M. J. Murphree, R. C. Gates was elected the Treasurer.

Statistician-

On nomination of T. A. O'Farrell, H. E. Taylor was elected the Statistician and John Nduna was elected the Assistant.

Greetings.—The Bishop conveyed to the Conference the greetings of Mrs. Johnson and H. I. James, the South East Africa Conference and the Angola Conference.

Hours of Session.—On motion of M. J. Murphree, the hours of session were designated as from 9.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. with recess at 10.30 o'clock.

Nominations.—T. A. O'Farrell presented the District Superintendents report on Nominations and on motion the following Committees and Boards were elected:

Board of Education.—

(Term expiring 1938)
G. A. Roberts
Miss I. Scovill
M. J. Murphree
R. Ngonyama

T. A. O'Farrell

(Term expiring 1937)

Board of Stewards

(Term expiring 1938) (Term Expiring 1937) (Term expiring 1936)
R. C. Gates M. J. Murphree H. E. Taylor
R. Ngonyama

J. Chimbadzwa

Board of Sunday Schools

Miss P. Mullikin Miss F. Quinton Miss S. King Miss B. Ramsey Mrs. T. A. O'Farrell Mrs. L. E. Adkins

A. Kapenzi B. Katsidzira E. Munjoma J. Maramba

Board of Home Missions

(Term expiring 1938) Miss S. King

Miss L. Tubbs Miss G. Clark I. Darikwa J. Chimbadzwa

Committee on Conference Relations

T. A. O'Farrell W. Bourgaize L. Darikwa J. Chimbadzwa M. J. Murphree Thomas Marange

Committee on Hospitals and Medical Work

G. A. Roberts
H. E. Taylor
Miss I. Gugin
Miss Alice Whitney

Miss O. Penney

Miss O. Parmenter Mrs. R. C. Gates Mrs. E. L. Sells Mrs. L. E. Adkins

Committee on Interdenominational Relations

E. L. Sells W. Bourgaize R. C. Gates I. Munjoma Titus Marange

Committee on State of Church

T. A. O'Farrell W. Bourgaize Miss G. Clark Miss M. O. Benson G. A. Roberts R. C. Gates L. E. Adkins H. Katsidzira P. Machiri Z. Mukombiwa Thomas Marange J. Rugayo H. E. Taylor B. Katsidzira M. Katsidzira

Committee on Publications

Finance Committee E. H. Greeley Mrs. H. E. Taylor Miss L. Tubbs Editor of the Umbowo

Committee on Resolutions

W. Bourgaize E. H. Greeley E. L. Sells Miss Quinton Mrs. M. J. Murphree Miss W. Shields M. Mparutsa S. Chieza

Committee on Memoirs.

L. E. Adkins R. Ngonyama J. Chimbadzwa

Historical Committee. -

E. L. Sells G. A. Roberts E. H. Greeley T. A. O'Farrell Miss F. Qainton

Matongo, Samuel

Questions.—Numbers 14, 15, 16, 19, 24, 25, 29 (a), 30. 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38 were asked and answered in the negative.

Question Twenty-nine (b).—"Was the character of each Accepted Supply Pastor now in charge examined."

The names of the following Accepted Supply Pastors were called and

their characters passed:

Chafika, Peter Chieza, William Chingono, Johnson Chingwena, Matthew Chirewa, Stephen Chitenderu, Daniel Chitereka, Shadrach Chitiyo, Silas Chiwadzwa, Enoch Chiwara, Simon Chigubn, Nason Chiri, Elijah Dangirhwa, Jonah Dzapasi, James Gezi. Julius Gondora, Job Gurupira, Gideon Gurupira, David Hamadziripi, Vincent Hunidzarira, Moses Kachisi, Auderson Kadzinga, Stephen Kaitano, James Kambarami, Eddie Kambarami, Timothy Kamusono, Thomas Kanonuhwa, Peter Kanouyangwa, Jackson Kanyenze, Solomon Karimanzira, Shadrach Karonga, Sande Kunyarimwe, Roderick Kasambira, Leonard Madenvika, Isaiah Mahowa, Lazarus Mandisodza, Wilson Manyange, Benson Mapindu, Jotham Maraire, Tennyson Marhwa, Peter Matanga, Mark Matara, Thomas Matema, Davidson

Maviza, Paul Mazaiwana, Philemon Mrewa, Enoch Mrewa, Josiah Mucha, Stephen Mudede, Willie Mufunde, Peter Mujeni, James Mupikata, David Mutare, David Mutonho, Aaron Mvududu, Elisha Makuto, Joseph Manjoro, Samuel Manyarara, Davidson Masiya, Isaac Matlyukira, Dixon Mhlanga, Towndie Mukamba, Clifton Munjoma, Samuel Mupenzwa, Lionel Mwanga, Wilson Ndidzano, Nathan Nyagura, Martin Nyakunu, Jeffries Nyemba, Shadrach Parirenyatwa, David Parwehosi, Morrison Pawiremanzi, Solomon Rasira, Philemon Rinomhota, Nathaniel Risinamudzi, Jotham Sachiti, Johnson Samakande, Jacob Sauramba, Elisha Sora, Samson Tichiwanhunyi, Isaiah Tsoka, Abraham Tsopotso, Isaiah Tsododo, Robert Zisengwe, Ferris

Adjournment and Closing.—Hymn No. 307 in the Chimanyika Hymnal was sung. Abraham Kawadza and Tudor Roberts led in Prayer. Bishop Johnson pronounced the Benediction. The Conference stood adjourned at 12 o'clock.

Second Day, Wednesday, July 10th, 1935

Opening and Devotion.—The Conference was called to order at 9 a.m. The Rev. M. J. Murphree conducted the devotions. Hymn No. 18 in the Methodist Hymnal was sung. R. Ngonyama and T. A. O'Farrell led in prayer. Hymns Nos. 190 and 19 were sung.

Adjournment.—On motion of G. A. Roberts, the Conference voted to adjourn to meet at the call of the Bishop. After announcements the Conference stood adjourned at 9.40 a.m.

Resumed.—The Conference was called to order by the Bishop at 10.45 a.m. After a very interesting talk by the Rev. E. H. Greeley, Hymn No. 207 in the Chimanyika Hymnal was sung.

Minutes.—The Minutes of the session of Tuesday were read and approved,

Question One.—" Who are the members of the Lay Conference present and who are its officers."

The Secretary of the Lay Conference reported that the following members of the Lay Conference were present:

Mrs. R. C. Gates James Mujeni Helen Chimbadzwa Moses Hunidzarira David Gurupira Sam Mutambara Miss W. Shields Paul Mareya James Mayatu Wilson Mujijiji Jonathan Wherekwere Mrs. E. L. Sells Miss S. King Solomon Kanyenze Luke Mukwedza Robert Tsododo Thomas Matara

The Officers of the Lay Conference are:
Mrs. E. L. Sells—President
Miss Sarah N. King—Secretary.

Lay Conference Communication.—The Secretary of the Lay Conference presented a communication in regard to the organization for Women within the local Churches and Conference. On motion of J. Nduna it was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

Question Seventeen.—was asked and answered in the negative.

Question Eighteen.—" Who have been continued on Trial"

The name of Luke Chieza was called and his character passed. The Registrar reported that he had completed the studies of the first year. On motion of his District Superintendent, he was continued on Trial and advanced to the studies of the second year.

Question-Twenty two .- "What members are in the studies of the Fourth

vear.'

The name of Johnson Maramba was called and his character passed. The Registrar reported that he had completed the studies of the third year. On motion of the District Superintendent he was advanced to the studies

of the fourth year.

The names of Silas Kasambira, O. Chimonyo and Maxin Mutambanengwe were called and their characters passed. The Registrar reported that they had completed the studies of the third year. On motion of the District Superintendent, they were advanced to the studies of the fourth year.

Question Twenty-three. - "What members have completed the Conference

course of study."

The name of Philip Chieza was called. The Registrar reported that he had not completed the studies of the fourth year. On the unanimous recommendation of the Board of Ministerial Training and on motion of the District Superintendent, the Conference voted (more than two-thirds) that he be continued in the studies of the fourth year.

Question Twenty-seven.—"Was the character of each preacher examined."

The name of T. A. O'Farrell was called and his character passed. The name of R. C. Gates was called, his character passed and he read his report.

Closing.—After the announcements and the singing of Hymn No. 207 in the Chimanyika Hymnal, E. H. Greeley pronounced the Benediction. The Conference stood adjourned at 12.30. p.m.

Third Day, Thursday, July 11th, 1935

Opening.—The Bishop called the Conference to order at 9. a m. and conducted the devotions. Hymn No. 78 in the Methodist Hymnal was sung. Mrs. G. A. Roberts and S. Chieza led in prayer. After the address by the Bishop, Hymn No. 186 was sung.

Minutes. -The minutes of the session of Wednesday were read and approved.

Question Twenty-seven.—was resumed. T. A. O'Farrell read his report.

Recess.—The Conference went into recess at 10.30 a.m. and reconvened at 11 o'clock. Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Adkins sang a duet.

Onestion Twenty.—" Who have been admitted into full membership"

The names of Jonah Chitombo and Jonah Machiri were called and their characters passed. The Conference Relations Committee recommended that they be admitted. On motion of the District Superintendent, they were admitted into Full Membership and elected Deacons.

Admission of Class into Full Membership .-

Bishop Johnson asked the Questions of the Discipline and admitted the class into the membership of the Conference, Question Twenty-seven. - was resumed.

The name of E. L. Sells was called, his character passed and he read his report.

Question Twenty-one. - "What Members are in the Studies of the Third

Year."

The names of Jonah Chitombo and Jonah Machiri were called. The Registrar reported that they had completed the studies of the second year. They were advanced to the studies of the Third Year.

Question Twenty-seven .- was resumed.

The names of W. Bourgaize and G. A. Roberts were called, their characters passed and they read their reports.

Adjournment.—After the announcements, Hymn No. 250 in the Chimanyika Hymnal was sung. J. Rugayo pronounced the Benediction and the Conference stood adjourned at 12.30 p.m.

Fourth Day, Friday, July 12th, 1935

Opening.—The Conference was called to order at 9 a.m. by the Bishop, who conducted the devotions.

Devotions.-Hymn No. 415 sung. Miss S. King led in prayer. A Quintette

sang "From every stormy wind that blows." The Bishop led in prayer and read a Scripture Lesson.

Minutes. -- The minutes of the session of Thursday were read and approved.

Committee on the State of the Church.—L. E. Adkins read a preliminary report. The report was taken up seriatim. On motion the first section was adopted. See report.

"That the organization of the native women of our Church, to be called 'Rukwadzano rwe Wadzimai rwe Methodist Episcopal Church' be

formed."

The second part of the report, which constituted a committee to draw up a constitution, was referred back to the Committee on the State of the Church.

Recess.—The Conference went into recess at 10.40 a.m. and reconvened at 11 o'clock. A chorus, "I love to tell the Story" was sung by the pupils of the Bible School.

Order of the Day.—On motion of T. A. O'Farrell, the election of the General Conference Delegate and Reserve Delegate was set for Saturday following the recess.

Ouestion Twenty-seven. - was resumed.

The name of M. J. Murphree was called, his character passed and he read his report.

The names of the following were called and their characters passed: M. Mutambanengwe

L. E. Adkins H. E. Taylor I. Darikwa H. Katsidzira I. Munjoma S. Chieza E. Munjoma J. Rugayo M. Mparutsa

C. Faku J. Nduna R. Ngonyama A. Kapenzi Titus Marange Z. Mukombiwa Thomas Marange M. Katsidzira O. Chimonyo P. Chieza J. Maramba B. Katsidzira D. Mandisodza H. I. James P. Machiri

The names of the following missionaries were called and their characters passed:

Mrs. L. E. Adkins Mrs. R. C. Gates Mrs. H. I. James Miss Ruth E. Hansson Miss Pearl Mullikin Mrs. M. J. Murphree Mrs. T. A. O'Farrell Mrs. G. A. Roberts Mrs. E. L. Sells Mrs. H. E. Taylor Miss Mildred O. Benson Miss Grace Clark

Miss Irene P. Gugin Miss Sarah King Miss Ona Parmenter Miss Oril Penney Miss Jessie Pfaff Miss Frances Quinton Miss Bertha Ramsey Miss Beulah Reitz Miss Ila Scovill Miss W. Shields Miss Lulu Tubbs Miss Alice Whitney

J. Chimbadzwa

Adjournment. - After the announcements the Doxology was sung and the Bishop pronounced the Benediction. The Conference stood adjourned at 12 o'clock.

Fifth Day, Saturday, July 13th,

Opening,-Bishop Johnson called the Conference to order at 9 a.m. and conducted the devotions. After singing Hymn No. 463 "Jesus, Lover of my soul" and prayer, the Bishop read a Scripture Lesson and gave a very helpful devotional address. The Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Adkins sang a duet and the Minister's Quartette gave a number.

Minutes.—The Minutes of the session of Friday were read and approved.

Question Four.-"What are the Statistical and Financial Reports for the vear."

(b) From the Treasurer,

The Conference Treasurer read his report. On motion, the report was adopted.

Committee on the State of the Church .- L. E. Adkins read the second item of report No. 1 which on motion was adopted. Report No. 2 was read. taken up seriatum and adopted.

See reports

Recess.—The Conference went into recess at 10, 50 a.m. and reconvened at 11, 10 o'clock with the singing of Hymn No. 1 "O for a thousand tongues to sing."

belegate to the General Conference.—The Bishop called for the order of the day and appointed John Nduna and L. E. Adkins as tellers for the election of the Delegate to the General Conference that convenes in Columbus, Ohio, May 1st, 1936. The first ballot was taken with the following results: H. I. James 20, E. L. Sells 11, R. C. Gates 3. Total votes cast 34.

H. I. James having received the majority of the votes cast was declared elected.

Reserve Delegate to the General Conference.—The ballot for the Reserve Delegate to the General Conference was taken with the following results: E. L. Sells 26, R. C. Gates 6, J. Chimbadzwa 1, Defective 1. Total votes cast 34. E. L. Sells having received the majority of the votes cast was declared elected.

Native Christian Convention.—The recommendations of the Native Christian Convention were received. On nominations of the Convention the following officers were elected:

Chairman — Isaiah Munjoma
Vice. Chairman — Titus Marange
Secretary — Anios Kapenzi
Vice Secretary — Josiah Chimbadzwa
Treasurer — Moses Mparutsa
Missionary Advisors — G. A. Roberts
Miss Grace Clark

On motion, the Consitution for the Convention was adopted.

Medical Committee.—Miss Alice Whitney read the report of the Medical Committee. On motion the report was adopted.

See reports.

Board of Education.—Miss W. Shields read the report of the Board of Education. On motion the report was adopted.

Auditing Committee,—On motion, an Auditing Committee, consisting of T. A. O'Farrell J. Nduna C. Faku

M. J. Murphree

was elected to audit the books of the Conference Treasurer.

Adjournment.—After the announcements, the Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop. The Conference stood adjourned at 12. 15 p.m.

Sixth Day, Monday, July 15th, 1935

Opening.—Bishop Johnson called the Conference to order at 9 a.m. and conducted the devotions. After singing Hymn No. 461 "How firm a Foundation" and prayer, Escrivao sang a Hymn in the Shetswa langauge. The Bishop called for testimonies and a large number of Missionaries and Ministers responded.

Minutes.—The Minutes of the session of Saturday were read and approved.

Journal.—On motion of G. A. Roberts, the Secretary was elected to edit and publish the Journal and the printed record of the Minutes was made the official record of the Conference.

Native Christian Convention.—At the request of the Native Christian Convention, H. E. Taylor presented the fourth item from the Agenda of the

recent session to the Conference for discussion.

"Having failed to meet the demands of the Mission to find support for two men at the station, namely a minister and pastor-teacher, we humbly request the Mission to lighten our burden by giving us one person to support." A very helpful discussion followed.

Recess.—The Conference went into recess at 11.0 a.m. and reconvened at 11.25 o'clock.

Question Thirty-nine. - "Who are the Supernumerary Ministers"

The Committee on Conference Relations presented the name of Murashwa Katsidzira and recomended that he be granted the supernumery relation. On motion of T. A. O'Farrell, he was placed in the supernumerary list.

Question Forty.—" Who are the Retired Ministers"

The name of E. H. Greeley was called and his character passed. On motion of E. L. Sells, he was continue! in the retired relation.

Question Forty-two .- "Who are the Triers of Appeals"

On motion the following were elected the Triers of Appeals:
H. E. Taylor
Isaiah Munjoma
Jackson Rugayo

Moses Muparutsa

Question Forty-five.—"What are the claims on the Conference Funds"

The Treasurer answered that there were no claims on the Conference Funds.

T. A. O'Farrell

 ${\bf Board}$ of Stewards. —Reginald Ngonyama read the report of the Board of Stewards. On motion, it was adopted.

Question Forty-six.—"What has been received on these Claims"

a. From Pastoral charges... £2-7-0

b. How has it been applied?

Placed on deposit and invested in Government Loan Certificates.

On motion of T. A. O'Farrell, the Treasurer was instructed to investigate the advisability of transferring the Conference Claimants funds from America to Rhodesia with a view of securing a higher rate of interest.

Question Forty-seven.—"What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral Charges within the Conference to be raised for the support of Conference Claimants."

On motion of R. C. Gates, the amount was fixed at two an one-half per cent of the Pastor's Salary.

Question Forty-three.—" What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension."

Miss IIa Scovill read the report of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. On motion, it was adopted.

See Reports.

Board of Sunday School.—Miss Frances Quinton read the report of the Board of Sunday School. The report was taken up seriatum and on motion was adopted.

Question Four. a. "What is the Statistical Report? H. E. Taylor read the Statistical report.

Time extended.-On motion, the time was extended until the finishing of the report.

Question Four.—was resumed.

On motion of R. C. Gates, it was ordered that the report of the number of children in school must be taken in the future from the school registers at the close of the preceeding school year.

On motion of R. C. Gates, it was ordered that there be a column in the

Statistical report for Government grants per se.

Adjournment.—On motion of G. A. Roberts, the Conference voted to adjourn to meet at 3.30 p.m.

Closing.—The Bishop pronounced the Benediction and the Conference stood adjourned at 1.0 p.m.

Afternoon Session

Opening.—Bishop Johnson called the Conference to order at 3,30 p.m. Hymn No. 490 "Saviour More than Life to me" was sung.

Minutes.—The minutes of the Morning Session were read and approved.

Question Forty-nine.-" Where shall the next session of the Conference be held."

Invitations were received from M, J. Murphree of Old Umtali and T. A. O'Farrell of Nyadiri, The Conference voted to hold its next session at Old Umtali.

Onestion Thirty-nine,—was resumed.

The Committee on Conference Relations presented the names of David Mandisodza and Maxin Mutambanengwe and recommended that they be granted the supernumerary relation. On motion of T. A. O'Farrell they were granted the relation and placed in the supernumerary list.

Committee on Memoirs .-

Josiah Chimbadzwa read the Memoir for Beulah Faku, daughter of the Rev. Clifford Faku and the Memoir for Harrison Marange

Reginald Ngonyama read the Memoir for Ivy Machiri, the daughter

of the Rev. Patrick Machini.

Committee on Resolutions. -

The Committee on Resolutions read its report in three parts.

Moses Mparutsa read Part One, the resolution on hospitality. On motion, it was unanimously adopted.

Mrs G. A. Roberts read Part Two, an appreciation of the association and help of Mrs. Johnson as the wife of our Bishop. A book was presented to her through the Bishop as a token of our remembrance. Bishop Johnson in accepting the gift for her expressed her thanks and presented the Conference with a cheque of \$50. from Mrs. Johnson to be used in the work.

E. H. Greeley read Part Three, giving our parting affection for Bishop Johnson as he goes from us and retires from active work in May, 1936. As a parting gift, David Mandisodza presented him with an Album, containing pictures of the work of our Conference.

The Bishop's response was followed by singing, "Blest be the tie that Binds."

Adjournment.—On motion, the Conference voted to adjourn. E. H. Greeley pronounced the Benediction and Conference stood adjourned at 4.30 p.m.

Seventh Day, Tuesday, July 16th, 1935

Opening.—The Conference was called to order by the Bishop at 9 a.m.

Devotions.—After singing Hymn No. 407 "Be strong" and prayer, Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Adkins sang.

At the request of the Bishop, L. E. Adkins took the chair and spoke about the work of our Church in Portuguese East Africa. The Theological and Bible students sang, "I'll go where you want me to go." After the Scripture Lesson Hymn No. 207 "The Church's one Foundation" "was sung." Bishop Johnson resumed the Chair and spoke on "The Task entrusted to the Church in Rhodesia."

Minutes.—The Minutes of the Afternoon Session of Monday were read and approved.

Greetings.—On motion of R. C. Gates, the Secretary was instructed to convey to Mrs. Johnson our greetings and thanks for her generous gift to the Conference and to enclose a copy of Part Two of the report of the Committee on Resolutions.

Proposed Constitutional Amendments.—The Bishop called for a vote on the Proposed Constitutional Amendments received from the Secretary of the General Conference and originating, First in Rock River Conference.

Record of the vote. Noes No. Ayes 0 No. 2 Ayes O Noes 33 No. 3 Ayes O Noes 31 34No. 4 Ayes O Noes No. 5 Ayes O Noes 34 Second, in the West Wisconsin Conference Ayes O Ayes O Noes 35 Record of vote.

Memorial to General Conference. -

T. A. O'Farrell read a petition signed by fifteen members of the Conference and requested that the Conference send it as a Memorial to the General Conference.

The petition after being amended read as follows:

"Whereas, Lines of Communication and conditions of travel have so greatly improved in recent years that all parts of our African work can be reached with no great difficulty and no great loss of time, be it

Resolved, that the Rhodesia Conference petition the General Conference to fix the Episcopal Residence of the Cape Town Area in Salisbury, S. Rhodesia, thus bringing it within the bounds of one of the Conferences of the Area."

On motion of T. A. O'Farrell, the petition was adopted as a Memorial to the General Conference. The vote was unanimous, thirty-five members voting.

Greetings.—Bishop Johnson was requested to convey the greetings of the Rhodesia Conference to the South East Africa Conference.

Final Adjournment.—On motion, the Conference voted to adjourn after the approval of the Minutes and the reading of the appointments.

Appointments.—After addressing the Conference with an appeal to go forward in the years that are to come and totalways remain loyal to the Christ, the Bishop read the appointments.

Closing.—Bishop Johnson pronounced the Benediction and the Conference stood adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Secretary's Certificate

This certifies that this volume of the Fifth session of the Rhodesia Annual Conference held at Old Umtali, July 9th to 16th, 1935 is a complete and correct record of the proceedings and reports and that it was adopted by the action of the Conference as its Official Record.

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Secretary

L. Sell

Part IV.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

The Rhodesia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church held at Old Umtali, S. Rhodesia, July 9th to 16th, 1935.

A. UNITED SESSION.

1. Who are the members of the Lay Conference present, and who are its officers?

The Secretary of the Lay Conference reported that the following members of the Lay Conference were present:

Mrs. R. C. Gates James Muieni Helen Chimbadzwa Moses Hunidzarira David Gurupira Sam Mutambara Miss W. Shields Paul Mareva James Mayatu

Wilson Mujijiji Johnathan Wherekwere Mrs. E. L. Sells Miss S. King Solomon Kanyenze Luke Mukwedza Robert Tsododo Thomas Matara

The Officers of the Lay Conference are: Mrs. E. L. Sells - President Miss Sarah N. King - Secretary

- 2. Is the Annual Conference Incorporated according to the requirement of the Discipline? No.
- 3. What officers and persons holding moneys, funds, etc., are bonded and in what amounts according to the requirement of the Discipline? None.
 - 4. What are the Statistical and Financial Reports for the year?
 - (a) From the Statistician — See Statistical Report

(b) From the Treasurer - See Treasurer's Report.

Other items (c)

5. What are the Items and Aggregate of General Conference Benevolences apportioned to this Conference and Approved by this body for the ensuing vear?

Conference Claiments and Local Preachers Relief is two and one half per cent of the pastor's salary. An aggregate amount of about £63-0-0

6. What Reports and Exhibits are presented by Conference Boards and Institutions?

See District Superintendents Reports

7. What are the Items and Aggregate of Annual Conference Benevolences Approved by this body for the ensuing year?

None.

8. What Approved Financial Campaigns are to be carried on in this Conference during the ensuing year, and for what amounts? None.

- 9. What is the schedule of Minimum Support? There is no schedule.
- What are the Approved Claims for the Support of District Superintendents, Bishops, and Conference Claimants for the ensuing year?

Conference Claimants.—Two and one-half per cent of Pastor's salary.

11. What shall be the Evangelistic and Religious Educational Plan for the ensuing year?

No Report.

- 12. What Standing Committees shall be appointed by this body? See Part II for Standing Committees.
- What other items of business shall be considered by this United Session ?

None.

B. ANNUAL CONFERENCE

- 14. Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conferences? None.
- 15. Who have been Readmitted? None.
- 16. Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches? None.
- Who have been Received on Trial?
 - In studies of First Year (a) None.
- (b) In studies of Third year under Seminary Rule.
 - (c.) Exempt from Course of Studies under Seminary Rule. None.
- 18. Who have been Continued on Trial?
 - In studies of First Year. (a) None
 - (b) In studies of Second Year. Luke Chieza.
 - In studies of Third Year. (c)
 - In studies of Fourth Year. (d) None.
- 14. Who have been Discontinued? None
- 20. Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?
 - Elected and ordained Deacons this year. (a) Jonah Chitombo, Jonah Machiri

- (b) Elected and ordained Deacons previously. None.
- (c) Elected to be ordained elsewhere.

21. What Members are in studies of Third Year?

- (a) Admitted into Full Membership this year. Jonah Chitombo, Jonah Machiri.
- (b) Admitted into Full Membership previously.
 None.

22. What Members are in studies of Fourth Year?

Philip Chieza, Obadiah Chimonyo, Silas Kasambira, Johnson Maramba, Maxin Mutambanengwe.

23. What Members have completed the Conference course of Study?

- (a) Elected and ordained Elders this year.
 None.
- (b) Elected and ordained Elders previously.

None.

- (c) Elected and ordained Elders under Seminary Rule.
- (d) Elected to be ordained elesewhere.

None

- (e) Ordained Elder, having been previously elected by.......

 Conference.

 None
- (f) Ordained Elder elsewhere under our election.

24. What others have been elected and ordained Deacons?

(a) As Local Preachers.

None.

- (b) Under Missionary Rule. None.
- (c) Under Seminary Rule.

None

(d) Elected by this Conference and ordained elsewhere.
None.

25. What others have been elected and ordained Elders?

(a) As Local Deacons.

None.

- (b) Under Missionary Rule.
 - None
- Elected by this Conference and ordained elsewhere. None.

26. Who have been left without appointment to attend one of our schools? Luke Chieza, Obadiah Chimonyo.

27. Was the character of each Preacher examined?

Yes. This was strictly done by calling the name of each Preacher in open Conference.

28. Who are accepted as Supply Pastors?

See list.

- 29. (a) What Accepted Supply Pastors now in charge are taking
 - I. The Conference Course of Study?

In the First Year.

None.

In the Second Year.

None.

In the Third Year.

None. In the Fourth Year.

None.

II. The Local Preachers' Course of Study?

In the First Year.

None.

In the Second Year.

None.

In the Third Year.

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In the Fourth Year.

None.

(b) Was the character of each Accepted Supply Pastor now in charge examined?

Yes. The name of each Accepted Supply Pastor was called in open Conference.

(c) What Local Preachers have completed satisfactorily the studies prescribed?

For Deacon's Orders.

None.

For Elder's Orders.

None.

30. Who have been Transferred, and to what Conferences?

None.

31. Who have Died?

None.

- 32. Who have been Located at their own request?
 None.
- 33. Who have been Located?
 None.

- 34. Who have Withdrawn?
 - (a) From the Ministry.

None.

- (b) From the Ministry and Membership of the Church.
- (c) By surrender of the Ministerial Office?
- 35. Who have been deprived of the Ministerial Office? None.
- 36. Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints?
- 37. Who have been Expelled?
 None.
- 38. What other Personal Notation should be made?
- 39. Who are the Supernumerary Ministers and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation?

 Murashwa Katsidzira, David Mandisodza, Maxin Mutambanegwe.
- 40. Who are the Retired Ministers? E. H. Greeley.
- 41. Who have been granted leave of absence?
- 42. Who are the Triers of Appeals?

H. E. Taylor, Isaiah Munjoma, Moses Mparutsa, Thomas Marange, Jackson Rugayo and T. A. O'Farrell,

- 43. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension?

 See Report.
- 44. What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions?

There is no Conference Board of Foreign Missions.

6.	(a) What has been received on these claims?	
	From The Book Concern,	
	From the Chartered Fund,	
	From Board of Pensions and Relief,	
	From Annual Conference Investment	
	From Pastoral Charges,	£2 7 0
	From Other Sources,	
	Total,	£2 7 0

- (b) How has it been applied?

 Placed on Deposit and invested in Government Loan Certificates.
- 47. What amout has been apportioned to the Pastoral Charges within the Conference, to be raised for the Support of Conference Claimants?

 Two and one half per cent of Pastor's salary.
- 48. Where are the Preachers stationed? See list of appointments.
- 49. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
 Old Umtali



PART V.

LIST OF CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

MREWA DISTRICT

R. C. Gates, Superintendent Mrewa

Mrewa Mission

Howard Memorial Church Assistant Pastor School Assistants

Women's Work

Mrs. R. C. Gates

Isaiah Darikwa

Enoch Mrewa

To be supplied

(Kenneth Choto) (Helen Chimbadzwa) (Anna Karlos)

R. C. Gates

R. C. Gates Isalah Darlkwa

Mrewa Circuit

Chanetsa
Chingono
Chomosweswe
Choruwa
Gomba
Hokodzi
Hunda
Jacobs
Muchinjike
Nyamutumbu
Rupange

To be supplied
Joseph Makuto
To be supplied
Samson Sora
To be supplied
Lazarus Mahowa
Silas Chitiyo
To be supplied
To be supplied
To be supplied

Mangwendi Circuit

Chiguri Gumbanjera Mrewa Kraal Nyagwizo Hosea Katsidzira Roderick Kunyarimwe To be supplied William Mudede To be supplied

Headlands Circuit

Arnoldene Chigudu Fusire Magura Manuhwa Mufunde Mukombwe Mutibura Muvundudzi Salisbury Hosea Katsidzira
Dixon Matlyukira
To be supplied
James Mujeni
James Kaitano
Jotham Risinamudzi
Daniel Makuto
To be supplied
William Chieza
To be supplied
Isaiah Munjoma

MTOKO DISTRICT

W. Bourgaize, Superintendent
Mtoko

South Circuit

Mtoko Center

Pastor

Assistant Pastor Principal of the School

Assistants

Chifodlya Chimokopa Chitekwe Gurure

Kagande Makakoro Muswairi

Nyakabao

Nyamakopi Tsiga

North Circuit

Chindoko Katsande Kawere Kowo Madzande Makosa Masenda

Mudzonga Musikanyi Nyamukosi Nyamkoho Tsuro

Samuel Chieza

W. Bourgalze W. Bourgaize Samuel Chieza Shadrach Nyemba (Philemon Gurupira) (Sydney Chidzwondo) (Rena Chieza) To be supplied Julius Gezi Paul Muranda Stephen Kadzinga Don Gombeze Jakob Samakande Benson Manyangi (Nathaniel Hakata) Moses Hunidzarira (John Ndlyiwayo) Samuel Kapito

Enoch Munjoma

To be supplied

Davidson Matema David Gurupira Nathaniel Rinomhota (Timothy Mahachi) Jackson Kanyongwa Leonard Musonza Shadrach Karimanzira (Jeremiah Bwanyu) Stephen Mucha Peter Chapfika Gideon Gurupira Elisha Tsiga Matthew Chingwena

MUTAMBARA DISTRICT

G. A. Roberts, Superintendent Mutambara

Mutambara Mission

Pastor

Assistant Pastor Principal, Co-educational School Assistants G. A. Roberts Jackson Rugayo Bertha E. Ramsey (Amos Kapswara) (Remeredzo Nkomo (Martin Chiza) (Jacob Mutizi) (Davidson Manyarara) (Agnes Muradzikwa) (Hannah Jamela) (Florence Hlatywayo) (Eunice Munjoma) (Grace Chimonyo) (Virginia Mutambara) (Rhoda Sigauke) (Janet Mhlanga) (Dinah Danda) Mrs. G. A. Roberts Mrs. G. A. Roberts Oril A. Penney Ona Parmenter (Ephraim Mhlanga)

G. A. Roberts

Women's Work District Visitor Medical Work

Assistant

W. F. M. S. (Directress)

Lulu L. Tubbs Betha E. Ramsey Oril A. Penney Ona Parmenter

Mutambara Circuit

Chakowa Chiramba Chitora Dunhu Nenohwe Nyambeya Rupise Shinja Bible Woman Jackson Rugayo
To be supplied
(Period Dube)
(Ledison Muusha)
Thomas Kamusono
Enoch Chiwadzwa
(Edward Liya)
(John Nemutenzi)
Towndie Mhlanga
(Maggie Kaplin)

NYADIRI DISTRICT

T. A. O'Farrell, Superintendent Nyadiri Mission, Via Salisbury

Nyadiri Mission
Nyadiri Church
Assistant Pastor

Principal, Co-educational School Assistants T. A. O'Farrell
T. A. O'Farrell
Moses Mparutsa
Wilhelmina T. Shields
(Timothy Kanyowa)

Jeannes Teacher Community and Women's Work Home Demonstrator Medical Work Assistants

W.F.M.S. (Directress)

(Timothy Mutemi) Eddy Makombore) (Dennison Nyamurowa) (Hector Kambombe) (Edward Makoni) (Mattie Mutambara) (Phoebe Musiarira) (Annie Manyarara) (Clara Manyarara) (Emily Chinunzura) (Josephine Sabola) (Jonathan Marange) Mrs. T. A. O'Farrell (Elsie Ngonyama) Alice E. Whitney (Job Tsiga) (Della Mutambara) (Rhoda Kanyonga) Grace Clark Wilheimina T. Shields Alice E. Whitney

Nyadiri Circuit

Chidodo Kamuchacha Kangara Kasambarare Magaya Manyika

Mugabe Mupaya Musani Nyamhara Sori

Uzumba Circuit

Chifunde Chitimbe Chivinge Gadaga Gotara Katiyo Machekera Mashambanhaka Zanga Zaranyika

Maramba-Fungwi Circuit

Maramba Chidagwa Umtata

Jonah Chitombo

(After the end of the school year)
Jonah Dangirwa
To be Supplied
To be Supplied
Ferris Zisengwe
James Maswi
Jonah Chitombo
Philemon Rasiro
(Timothy Chirimumimba)
Robert Ts.dodo
Nason Chigubo
Lazarus Samukange
To be Supplied

Moses Mparutsa

To be Supplied
David Mutare
(John Wesley Mukasa)
To be Supplied
Josiah Mrewa
James Dzanasi

Moses Mparutsa

Wilson Mwanga (Enoch Makuto) To be Supplied

OLD UMTALI DISTRICT

M. J. Murphree, Superintendent Old Umtali

Odzi Circuit

Chikunda Chiremba Katsadzura Mandiambira Manyarara Marara Mundenda Odzi Penhalonga

Umtasa Circuit

Nhunhama Nyakatsapa

Jeannes Teacher Bible Woman Nyamukwarara Rupinda Sherukuru Vumbunu Wengo Zinyembe

Marange Circuit

Chirinda
Gwawawa
Mafararikwa
Makomwe
Masasi
Maswaure
Matanda
Musiringofa
Mutsago
Nyika
Shundure
Jeannes Teacher

Gandanzara Circuit

Chikuruwo Gandanzara

Mapara

L. E. Edkins
Philip Chieza
To be Supplied
Thomas Matara
Clifton Mukamba
Samuel Matongo
Elia Kuture
Stephen Chirewa
Aaron Kavoroka
(Gideon Chieza)
Silas Kasambira
(Until end of year)
Johnson Maramba

L. E. Adkins
Patrick Machiri
Peter Marhwa
Patrick Machiri
Francis Bangwayo
(Katherine Bangwayo)
(Anna Chimbadzwa)
(Aaron Machiri)
(Priscilla Chimbadzwa)
Jeffries Nyakunu
Philemon Mazaiwana
To be Supplied
To be Supplied
Vincent Hamadziripi
To be Supplied

L. E. Adkins
Benjamin Katsidzira
Deniford Mahachi
Thompson Tsiga
To be Supplied
(Mupswari Ndidzano)
Joshua Mutsago
To be Supplied
To be Supplied
Martin Nyagura
Johnson Chingono
Samuel Manjoro
Lionel Mupenzwa
(Samson Zwinovera)

L. E. Adkins Silas Kasambira Elijah Chiri Paul Malianga (Elia Chidzikwe) To be Supplied Mukahanana

Ndingi Tswikiro Zuzi

Old Umtali Mission

Old Umtali Church
Assistant Pastor
Hartzell Training School
Principal
Teacher Training Dept.
Assistants

Literary Department

Industrial Department

Agriculture and Animal Husbandry Dept.

Theological & Bible Training School

Medical Work & Maternity Training

Women's Work

Fairfield Girls School (W.F.M.S.)
(Directress)

Mark Matanga (Steven Chieza) To be Supplied To be Supplied Josiah Mutambanengwe

M. J. Murphree M. J. Murphree Josiah Chimbadzwa

M. J. Murphree
Mrs. H. E. Taylor
Clifford Faku
John Nduna
Louise M. Forrest
Ila M. Scovill
Mildred O. Benson
Reginold Ngonyama
Amos Kapenzi
(Gideon Darikwa)
(Lewis Tsododo)
(Isaac Chiwara)
(Rebecca Zisengwe)
(Nancy Ngonyama)
(Elliot Sukhuma)
(Thomas Pezeni)
(Nyadzani Tsododo)

H. E. Taylor (Arnold Kanjanda) (Ashiford Bepete)

M. J. Murphree Pearl Mullikin Josiah Chimbadzwa

Ruth E. Hansson Irene P. Gugin (Julia Munayiwa) (Esther Machiri) (Alice Hamadziripi) Mrs. M. J. Murphree Ruth E Hansson (Bertha Mafunda)

Frances O. Quinton Ila M. Scovill Louise M. Forrest Mildred O. Benson Irene P. Gugin Rebecca Zisengwe Elina Mangwandi Nancy Ngonyama Esther Sakutombo Harriet Mandikutse Fimothy Chieza Janje Rusero Jonah Machiti

District Evangelist

UMTALI-RUSAPI DISTRICT

E. L. Sells. Superintendent P. O. Box 55, Umtali

Umtali

St. Andrews (European) Coloured Church Native Church School

E. L. Sells E. L. Sells Titus Marange Gladman Faku (Joyce Nyangombe) (Motase Hlatywayo) (Ellen Myambo) Sarah N. King (Joseph Nyamurowa)

Native Girls' Hostel (W.F.M.S)

Assistant

Chiduku Circuit

Chiduku Chinyadza Chitenderano

Gurure Manyora Muziti Rukweza

Sharara

Zachariah Mukombiwa

Anderson Kachisi To be supplied Solomon Kanyenze (Knight Nyamunda) John Mukombiwa (Elliot Manua) Isaiah Madenyika Zachariah Mukombiwa (Cecilia Matlyunge) Leonard Kasambira

Zimunya Circuit

Byumba Chirara Chitakatira

Dangare Gwese Mukozhiwa Munyarari Muradzikwa

Murare

Thomas Marange

Johnson Sachiti Shadrach Chitereke Job Gondora (Hezikiah Kaserera) Paul Mavisa To be Supplied Morrison Parwehosi (Maretawona Chaiweruka) Thomas Marange (Gibson Makaure) Daniel Chitenderu

(Justin Marwira)

Special Appointments

Rhodesia Mission Press

Editor Umbowo Assistant

Editors S. S. Literature

Mission Correspondent

Associate Editor of Missionary Advocate

On Furlough

M. J. Murphree

Frances Quinton (Joseph Nyamurowa

Pearl Mullikin Mrs. L. E. Adkins

M. J. Murphree

Mrs. R. C. Gates

H. I. James Mrs. H. I. James Beulah Reitz Jessie A. Pfaff

Left without appointment to attend School

Obadiah Chlmonyo Luke Chieza

NOTE

Heavy Type — Members of Conference.

Italics — Members on Trial.

Roman — Missionaries and Accepted Supply Pastors

() — Teachers and other workers.

Part VI.

(a) Reports of District Superintendents

REPORT OF W. BOURGAIZE Superintendent of the Mtoko District

Bishop Johnson and Fellow-Workers.

The most dreaded moment of the Conference year has now arrived. Dreaded, because as human beings we are so made that we cannot help living in two worlds, the "is" and the "ought," the "actual" and the "possible," the "factual and the "ideal." So, for better or for worse I bring to you the report of the work on the Mtoko District.

The whole report might well be summed up in these few words "We have been troubled on every side, yet not distressed: Perplexed often, but never in despair; Cast down, but not destroyed." For the year has been one to test the inner man as well as the outward man. Late in November of last year when the mealie crop was four inches high a terrific hail and rain storm cut the crop to ribbons and what little was left was submerged under inches of silt carried down by the excessive rainfall which followed the hail. Roofs of buildings were carried away and huge trees completely up-rooted. We planted a second time. Then on Christmas Day a huge swarm of locusts decided to spend the Day at Mtoko and when it arose from its festive board not a sign of our promising young mealie crop was to be seen. For the third time we planted and after having had heavy rains day after day during the early part of January, it suddenly stopped on the 23rd and barely another drop has come since. Nevertheless, in spite of all these seeming calamities, our faith has triumphed. The anchor has held. Blessed be God for the truth of His Word. "Our help cometh from the Lord." Yes it has come, and it still comes.

Mtoko Centre

The work at this Centre continues to keep up the pace which it set last year. Among the thirty Boarding Boys are several potential pastorteachers. With the help of these boys fifty bags of mealies were raised in spite of the adverse conditions. With a normal rainfall I firmly believe that we will become self-supporting as far as the question of food is concerned. The Day School has an average daily attendance of one hundred and seventy. A class in elementary agriculture has been started, and the principles taught in the class room are carried out in practice in the fields. All the agriculture is carried on with the three year rotation plan. Inasmuch as hundreds of native folk daily pass through our mission lands on their way to the Government Office, the practical agricultural work in operation, has thus, an additional value.

Work at the Leper Camp continues to forge ahead. Divine Service is held every Sabbath Day and very gracious have been some of the results of these services. I well remember upon one occasion hearing a leper who with only stumps in lieu of hands or feet saying: "Yes, I am no longer afraid because I know NOW, in my heart, that God is my Father, and, that He loves me." The Rev. Samuel Chieza is supervising this part of the work and as usual is doing excellent work. If all our work is worthwhile, then this phase of it, among this people, is especially so.

Circuit Work

The influence exerted by the village school in Africa to-day is too vital and formative for our Church to ignore it. The school brings a new understanding and enrichment of life. It teaches its pupils to create healthier conditions of living, to grow better crops, to build better houses, to improve the life of the home. It is the agency through which a new world of ideas and values is reaching Africa. What is being conveyed through the school is more than an increase of knowledge and the acquisition of new skills. Much more is getting across than is formally taught. Implied in the new learning are assumptions regarding the nature of man and the purpose for his existence. While the pupils are acquiring fresh knowledge they are at the same time forming their scale of values. They are entering into daily relations with their teachers and fellow pupils and learning to adopt toward them certain attitudes. In the schools contrasted views of life and its responsibilities are contending for possession of the mind and soul of Africa. If the Christian view is to prevail agaist the purely secular, the issue must be joined in the school.

These out-stations need leaders, pastor-teachers who believe in their race and are devoted to its advancement, and who at the same time understand the measure of self-discipline, undaunted effort and pains-taking labour that are necessary to reach the desired goal.

The more deeply we reflect on what it means to be a Christian the clearer it will become that it has to do with the whole personality; that the affections and will are even more deeply involved than the intellect. The meaning and spirit of Christianity are learned from persons who are Christians, and can only so be learned. We come to understand its meaning only so far as we ourselves express that meaning in our daily relations with other persons. And in this giving and receiving between persons we come to know and to teach God as one who claims our unconditional love and obedience and to trust Him as our Father, and to have a growing fellowship with Christ in whom Christ revealed His nature as love. That our native folk may attain this Christlikeness has been and is the main and chief objective of our out-station work. All other objectives, important as they may be, are kept secondary.

The number of out-stations remains the same as last year. Collections are lower than last year owing to the very adverse condition which made it well nigh impossible for our people to secure cash for their produce. Nevertheless, the splendid spirit of co-operation and unanimity which has prevailed at our recent Quarterly Conferences is very encouraging. A camp meeting held last October yielded very gracious results. All in all, though there is still room for much improvement; Yet we thank Him for the progress already made, and for results already achieved.

We pray that every need may be supplied and that each soul and every part of the work, elsewhere as well as at Mtoko, may continue to go forward with a conquering tread, leaning hard upon God.

REPORT OF G. A. ROBERTS Superintendent of the Mutambara District

Bishop Johnson and Fellow-Workers:

The Mutambara District has been a place of vigorous work and constant development. There has been much for which to thank the Heavenly Father. A camp meeting brought the religious workers and leaders

together for several days of worship, praise and inspiration. It was good to be there for there were many whose lives were quickened by the Holy Spirit. The people from each station seemed to get just the necessary rejuvination that they might be useful in the home organization. New souls were born into the Kingdom and there was much joyful demonstration and singing while the carry-over to the stations has been a great blessing throughout the year.

Church services in the village stations have been maintained above ordinary in spirit and inspiration as well as in numbers during the year. In a part of the district the people are hungry because of drought and have been unable to bring any reasonable collection for the past five years. Rev. Rugayo has given full time service to the churches of the district and, if one were to judge by his happy smile, he has had much pleasure in doing the work. The task has been a heavy one with eight village churches, a number more preaching places and many prayer meetings that have needed attention.

The local church at the centre is a great work with the four hundred people that regularly attend the Sunday services. There has been a constant and regular gathering in to the church membership so that, although we have been a little more diligent than usual in clearing the church records of those who have gone away for long periods leaving no address, there is a fair increase in church membership.

The twenty class meetings at the centre are a great responsibility and provide the opportunity for indoctrinating the people. The Sunday School with its many classes scattered everywhere about the church on Sunday afternoons should be a great influence in the life of the Mutambara people. We sometimes think the class discussions are too long but a protest against shortening them makes me feel that the lessons are at least interesting. Thanks to Miss Ramsey, who helps the teachers with the lesson each week.

Rukwadzano rhweWadzimayi (Meeting of the Women) is no small influence with its weekly devotions, frequently in the farther corners of the district. The women are now asking for a constitution and perhaps a name. May the Church find a name and set of rules for this group by which they may be a properly constituted part of the Church? "Ladies' Aid" might be suitable for they have been truly helpful at Mutambara.

The medical work managed and cared for by Miss Penny has been really great. Both European and native people have been doctored and nursed, but I will not speak in numbers for numbers do not give a true conception of influence wrought by the almost numberless services given. It is enough to say that the entire neighborhood of both races has looked to the mission nurse for advice as well as medicine.

Just after last conference our old friend, Harrison Marange, answered the Call, "Come thou good and faithful servant". He had spent all of his life from boyhood working in the mission and was a lovely Christian man. His influence was always for the best among the people who came to the dispensary where he worked the last two years of his life. Though Harrison was taken when he had little more than passed maturity, his life could well be said to be that of a beautiful character. His life upon earth was lived well.

The school, numbering at present 430 pupils, made up of the two boarding schools and 177 day pupils from the nearby villages, gives the staff of missionaries and native teachers a full time schedule. Piloted by Miss Ramsey in the literary department, there is little left to be wished for in the way of efficiency During my twenty eight years in Africa, I

have not seen any other group of people apply themselves to their studies and to outside work as do the boys of the Mutambara school.

Directed in the industrial classes and in the production of food as the girls are by Miss Tubbs, one may be sure they are learning to do work as they should work to advantage, and live on a higher scale as it is hoped the Church people will live. The girls' gardens produce just about every good thing possible in the way of vegetables and they use them for their own food. In the larger farm operations, every girl gets a pretty thorough training in production and preparation of food. It has been frequently stated to the girls by me, during my agricultural lectures to them that they will, in many instances, have to take the lead and make the plan for better homes and better agriculture, for the men they will marry are rarely as well trained as the girls are. Many of the young men have been away in industial centres during the time they should have been training for farm and country life. As of old, I try to lead the young men to greater ambitions and knowledge in the things of every day life that homes and food and social relationships may come more nearly to Christian standards.

Since Miss Parmenter arrived on May 27th, she has given a hand in the work almost everywhere besides giving lots of news of the home land.

There has been much reason for the Mutambara people to thank the Heavenly Father for rich blessings. Work and associations have been pleasant. Taking into account the work and its possibilities with the large native population on the Reserve, a number of good European neighbors, along with the possibility of self-support, Mutambara District and Centre are the most attractive situation that any missionary could ever wish to find. Were a mission to be made to order and plan, it would be difficult to make it more beautiful, more glorious, more alluring than Mutambara.

Finally we are glad to be able to announce that some of the pupils of each class have gone to Old Umtali for training and of each group are one or two that are expecting to go definitely into religious work. Some of these men are the sort that can be recommended in the highest terms for the ministry or any other important work. We are endeavoring to put the best of Mutambaras' young people in position for the greatest possible usefulness in the church.

REPORT OF R. C. GATES Superintendent of the Mrewa District

Bishop Johnson and Fellow-Workers:-

Unto Almighty God, the Lord Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit we give thanks for another year of life, during which abundant mercies have been granted the people of the Mrewa Disrtict. In reviewing the year we are conscious of the shadows as well as the sunshine, yet we can gratefully say "The lines are fallen unto us in pleasant places; we have a goodly heritage."

The Word of God has been preached in the churches and the children have been taught in the schools. Responsibility for the medical work has largely been taken from the Mission since the opening of the Government Dispensary a few years ago.

One of the happiest and most fruitful times of the year was the Camp Meeting held in September at the Munyukwi river. At the nine afternoon services there was an average attendance of about five hundred. The huge log which was used as a mourner's bench was frequenty filled. During Easter week at Mrewa Centre, morning and evening services were held for the deepening of the spiritual life of the Mission and surrounding community. Sunday evening services for Europeans were continued throughout the year. The attendance is small, yet the opportunity is provided for those Europeans who desire to worship God and to hear His Word.

At the messengers' camp in Mrewa the people have bought a well-built native house and converted it into a chapel for class and prayer meeting.

Mrs. Gates writes of the women's work as follows, "For the first five months of this year we were very fortunate in having a Jeannes Woman to help with the work among the women. Classes were organized in many nearby kraals, as well as in Mrewa, and met each week. The women were interested and attended quite well. There is a government dispensary at Mrewa with a very able man in charge, but there is much that he cannot do, and the Jeannes Woman was a valuable help throughout this part of the district. In May she left us to be married, and the work has had to be very much curtailed. The usual classes are held with the women, and the usual type of community work attempted. Having their gardens at Muchinjike does not help the women's attendance during several months of the year, but I am enjoying the work with them. The women in and around Mrewa are a more varied group than any other group with which I have worked....some have had training, some having had none, some are the wives of men earning good wages, some have nothing. Considering that we have no claim on any of them except the few at the Mission, their attendance and interest is good. I wish, as do many others, that the work among them showed quicker results in their homes, their families, and community."

The Salisbury church is in a thriving condition. Rev. Isaiah Munjoma is a fine leader in that needy and difficult field. His pastoral labors are abundant. Our relations with the Wesleyans, white and native people are cordial and friendly. Christian courtesy and thoughtfulness have characterized their association with us. Yet, because of the large numbers of our people who live in Salisbury and who constantly flock to that city, and because of the limitations, though necessary, which any single, and somewhat outside, church feels in a union enterprise, I should like to see the time come when we can have our own separate church in Salisbury. To conduct our own evangelistic services, to sing our own hymns, to be free to develop in our own way, would make our preacher and our people rejoice and would, I believe, be a boon to our whole native church, country as well as town.

At Domboshawa school there is a Class Meeting of seventy-four members, of whom forty-three are from our church, twenty-one from Mt. Silinda, and ten from Church of Christ. A native leader writes from Domboshawa, "It gives one pride to note how our boys are withstanding the temptation to smoke or drink when there is no prohibition of either in the school."

During the past year or two there has been a wave of matorhwa cases among the people. These and the too frequent fall of trusted leaders have a devastating effect upon the spiritual life of the church. The Watch Tower movement, which seems to have non-giving as its outsand-

ing doctrine, has probably made its influence felt. In one respect, at least, we can admire it and perhaps take a lesson from it,—the zeal of its non-paid adherents to spread the movement among the people.

In January we held a District Conference at Mrewa. After two days of devotional meetings we took two days to study means of financing the work of the District. The first point was, How can we pay off the debt which had accumulated over a number of years? The second point was, How can we avoid future debts?

The first point was answered by adopting a plan of payment that reduced the debt from £267 to £180.

The second point, how to avoid new debts, was and is a difficult problem. After careful and lengthy deliberation we agreed to pay as we go, or rather to go as we pay. So long as the funds come in full to maintain schools they will be kept open. When the funds are short, the schools close until the funds are sufficient to pay the previous quarter in full. The Pastor-Teacher stays at his post for preaching and pastoral work, and receives the usual wage from his station for the Native Mission, less what is required from his station for the Native Minister's salary.

This matter of financing the out-station work is one of our most difficult and perplexing problems. The crux of much of the difficulty of out-station financing lies in the Mission's having a wage-scale for native helpers and in the resultant attitude that it is the responsibility of the Mission to see that they get their full wages in accord with this scale. It is also true that that there is relatively little cash in the hands of the native people. The Maize Control Act, the locusts, a poor mealie crop, low prices for all produce, and the inability to obtain cash in the traders' stores, - all of these together do make it very difficult in some villages to maintain the Pastor-Teachers and Ministers. Still we know that we are commissioned by the General Conference to establish a Christian Church which shall be self-governing, self supporting, and self-propagating, and to these ends we must continue to work.

As we look back over the year we realize that God has been gracious and abundant in kindness. A number of old men and women have declared their faith in Christ and have joined the Church. One new village church is now under construction and two others are being planned for this year. Six villages have asked for Pastor-Teachers. If we had the funds, according to our usual plan, these six stations could be opened up at once. As one travels over the District, visiting the outstations and seeing the crowds at Quarterly Meeting, one is repeatedly impressed by the fact that we have the people. The multitudes are ours. And when we see great congregations hungering for the Gospel, we can at least in a slight degree appreciate how when the Lord Jesus saw the multitudes he was, "moved with compassion on them." We also rejoice over sinners who have repented and found forgiveness and peace in God.

Our Pastor-Teachers, as a group, under the leadership of their Ministers, Isaiah Darikwa, Isaiah Munjoma, and Hosea Katsidzira, have been patient and loyal. In the attack against sin, ignorance, uncleanness, superstition, and native inertia, together with all the other evil elements of heathenism, it is they who have borne the brunt of the battle. They have been the front line troops. May God give to them and to us love, grace, humility, and wisdom, as we enter upon a new year.

In making this last report under the leadership of Bishop Johnson, there are two outstanding points, most vital to our work in Africa, on

which I wish to express thanks and gratitude. The first is that our Bishop has wisely urged us onward in training and establishing a native African ministry. We know that it is due largely to his encouragement and leadership that today we have this fine body of consecrated men, prepared, ordained, and dedicated to the life task and privilege of preaching the Word and shepherding their own people. The other point, far greater even than that of training a ministry and indeed, in my opinion, far greater than all other contributions combined which any man could make to the world, is the the testimony he has borne to Jesus Christ as the one and only Saviour of the world. How often our hearts have rejoiced as we have heard him proclaim both in and out of Conference that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. We are glad that he has upheld the Bible as the World of God. We deeply rejoice that he has led us, not into the barren fields of modernism, but rather has been a true shepherd in leading us into green pastures and beside the still waters. We humbly and gratefully thank God that through the years of his service in Africa we have heard Bishop Johnson consistently preach, "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.'

REPORT OF T. A. O'FARRELL Superintendent of the Nyadiri District

Bishop Johnson and Fellow-Workers:

Another completed year in the work of God's Kingdom in Africa represents a glorious opportunity. How well we have used that opportunity, how much of prayer and consecration have entered into the daily task, how much of preparation, hard thinking and study to find God's larger purpose, how much of consideration for every individual, how effective we have put first things first, how much we have trusted God to bring Holy results from human effects - all of these considerations help to determine how well we have worked, and what has been accomplished.

Miss Clark took over the supervision of the Girls work last July. Edward Makoni, a Farm Demonstrator, came for the Agricultural work, and in January Dennison Nyamurowa came for the new St. 4 class. Emily Chinunzura and Josephine Sabola replaced two Girl Teachers who left to be married. Elsie Ngonyama came as a Jeannes Women to replace Jennie Mary Munjoma who also left to be married. All have fitted into the work well. Miss Clark has made a splendid contribution to Nyadiri, has worked incessantly, has conserved the plan already made, and has inaugurated others of her own.

Volunteer Workers.

With funds so low it has been impossible to enlarge our work by opening any more stations than those planned at the time of last Conference. But by using volunteer workers many preaching places have been maintained and others established. We have found more than fifty suitable men for this work. They are asking for training conferences, one of which would have been held in May but for the illness of some involved. This regular gathering together of even small groups is keeping the Spiritual fires going. At one point on the Nyadiri Circuit a volunteer teacher has a school with more than 60 enrolled. The Wab-vui under the direction of Miss Shields have rendered valuable help in peaching at points near Nyadiri.

Uzumba Circuit.

This circuit has been cultivated diligently. Two of the stronger stations had to be left without pastor - teachers at the end of 1934 because they had fallen behind with their gifts. Zaranyika has now caught up and has been re-opened. But Katiyo is experiencing a real slump. At the last Quarterly Meeting at Zaranyika there was a large attendance, and at the peoples' request we held a four days meeting with increasing interest and attendance right to the last. There is much evidence of Spiritual growth. An organization of about 20 Christian women at Chitimbe is doing much to build up the spiritual life at several stations in that section.

This circuit has extended itself far to the north and we have to report the addition of the Maramba-Fungwi Circuit. Last year we sent two men to these Reserves which extends about 100 miles to the North, the Fungwi itself being about 50 miles long. Neither place had had a Mission before. Wilson Manga and his wife have greatly endeared themselves to the people in Maramba as Enoch Makuto to those in the Fungwi. In June we held the first Quarterly Meeting in the Fungwi with 235 people present- a most enthusiastic and earnest group. Several persons have been received on probation. A good number of Testaments and Hymnals were sold. The collections from the two stations totaled nearly five pounds sterling.

Nyadirl Circuit.

This circuit has received more assistance from the workers at Nyadiri because it is near. But the Minister and his Pastor-teachers have also worked faithfully throughout the year. One station has been closed because of the people moving away and another has been opened. Several preaching places have developed into good Church groups.

A four days Camp Meeting in May resulted in a good number of conversions and in the reclamation of a number who were formerly members. The last Quarterly Meeting saw the largest gathering in its history. And there were no cases for discipline.

Camp Meeting

Last September the two ministers, Rev. M. Muparutsa and Rev. M. Katsidzira called the people from all their stations together for a ten days Camp Meeting. Much good resulted from this gathering.

Nyadiri Mission.

At Nyadiri there has been advancement in every department. The new Standard 4 class has 20 members. The number of Boarding Boys increased until three other buildings had to be utilized for domitories and some were turned away. Cash tuition has been more than double that received up to this date last year.

There has been a great development in school spirit and in participation in sports by both boys and girls.

Many more parents come to visit their children who are students, thus showing a new interest in the school.

The Wayfarer and Sunbeam detachments under the direction of Miss Shields are receiving very fine and helpful training, in many useful activities.

Miss Rudds' Reports indicate steady improvement in the Industrial work for Girls.

The instruction in Agriculture has improved under the direction of Edward Makoni. In carpentry, under Hector Kambombe our boys

and men are making excellent furniture. This is the most popular work among them, and every day both before and after the regular hours a number of them can be seen working on peices of their own which they sell. The married men continue their Community Class in this work, and the results of their work can be seen in the homes in the Location and the teachers group.

The crops were not quite so good as last year owing to very heavy rains.

Some building became imperative during the year. Four new houses for teachers were erected of Kimberly brick. Each house has four rooms and a kitchen Four other such rooms were added to existing houses. A new dairy was also erected, and a 15,000 gallon cistern was put in at the dispensary.

The women's class under Mrs. O'Farrell continues its interesting work.

The people across on the Reserve have been building for themselves very good Kimberly Brick houses, and adding to the permanency of their residence by planting fruit trees. They also keep good numbers of cattle and plow their lands. For cleanliness and neatness we have seen no native places superior to them. The Native Commissioner and others have expressed their pleasure at the development. We understand that at least eleven more such houses will be erected within a few miles this year. One wonders if this does not point the way to a much more wholesome way of living on the Reserves.

The medical work continues to minister to both bodies and souls. There has been an average of 24 (plus) inpatients during the year, and a total of 19,214 outpatient treatments. People bring their patients from as far as Maramba and the Fungwi Reserves, and an increasing number of people depend upon this help. The Doctor at Mtoko continues his helpful co-operation. The health of the missionaries has been reasonably good.

Jeannes Work.

Elsie Ngonyama meets regularly with Mrs. O'Farrell's Class, and with Miss Whitney in Mother craft and Child welfare Classes. She and Jonathan Marange as well as the school children assist in cleaning up kraals in the vicinity.

Jonathan Marange has done some of his best work with the Pastor teachers in helping them attain better methods in teaching. But in helping the Location people keep their homes and grounds clean, in the Community carpentry class, and in teaching vegetable gardening, we believe he is rendering great assistance.

We are now planning to have every station concentrate on cleaning up one village to make it an example in the community.

Finances.

The church collections have held up about as last year. We are permitting no debt in salary to reach a danger point. The Government Grants this year showed an increase of £98 for the District. Sales from the Dairy and Farm will just about equal those of last year. Sales from the shop will be sufficient to pay the teacher.

I have never worked with two more consecrated men than the two ministers of the District, Moses Muparutsa and Murashwa Katsidzira. And I think I have never before seen the conscious aim of total group to be so definitely that of winning souls to Christ, whatever the routine

work may seem to be. Our hearts have been constantly gladdened by the results shown in School, Church and Dispensary. Yet in our Easter Meetings I learned from heart to heart talk, as I have never known before how meager is the spiritual equipment of many of those who come to our Missions, and how sorely they need constant Christian nurture.

I shall always be thankful for the kindly consideration of my fellow missionaries on the station. Their Christian Grace has made the way a joy.

The Native Reserves.

In the meeting of the Teachers Association a fact was brought out which perhaps deserves mention. It was shown that the Great Reserves are likely to be the homes of the great majority of the Natives of the country. Yet our Missions are every year drawing from these Reserves, hundreds of the best of the boys and girls, training them, and seeing most of them return not to their homes to enrich the life there, but to the town or centers, to unwholesome social conditions where real vital leadership in things most worth while become almost impossible for them. After all, cooking, waiting table, carrying messages or wheeling babies in the parks are not very uplifting tasks for trained young people. If ways can be found of sending them back to their homes, to earn their living and enrich the life there materially, socially, morally, and spiritually, surely it will be a better way.

Bishop Johnson

It does not seem possible that Bishop Johnson has been with us nearly twenty years. It has not been possible for him to spend as much time with us as we should have wished. But he has effectively made an impression fo Christ. The people always speak of their Bishop with deep affection. They are an affectionate people. Perhaps his outstanding work has been in the building of our ministry. But we have also benefited by having as our General Superintendent one of the finest parliamentarians in the entire church. I believe that his skill in moulding the Conference will bear good fruit for years to come. Our hearts are saddened by his illness and our prayers shall be for his complete recovery.

Summary.

Some of the difficulties that face and baffle us are:

Many churches which were composed almost entirely of young people ten or fifteen years ago still have few adults. It seems as though the conditions for their continued growth have not been all that is necessary.

We are still unable to open much needed schools at many places where we had them a few years ago.

Far too much of the responsibility for securing the Church offerings is put upon school children. While the people are poor they have not learned sufficiently, the privilege of entering into His work by giving.

The best type of Fastor-teachers for the outstations do not seem to be available. Many are too young for pastoral work, and many do not want work.

The custom of Matorwa is still a real menace to spiritual life. It seems as though this custom must die if the church is to live.

These features are more than balanced by encouraging signs.

The laymen by taking up regular preaching are bringing strength to the church, and spreading the Gospel.

The religious activity of the women is bringing a vital spiritual life to some communities.

Nyadiri has made substantial advancement in every respect and is becoming a bulwark of strength to the church over a wide area.

The advance into the Maramba and the Fungwi and the eager response of the people has inspired all with the faith that the Christian Church is really marching forward.

The total attendance at the Quarterly meetings in June was at least 400 greater than a year ago.

Best of all we believe that this is Africa's day, that in His divine purpose now is the time to preach the Gospel to His Rhodesia children. His is the Power, and His will be the Glory.

REPORT OF M. J. MURPHREE Superintendent of the Old Umtali District

Bishop Johnson and Fellow-Workers;

We arrived back in Rhodesia on January the 5th, after an absence of 18 months from the field. For the most part, our time in America was spent visiting the churches and talking about Africa. We visited about two hundred and fifty churches and presented as best we could the needs of the work in Rhodesia. The people there seemed interested in Africa, but financial conditions make it exceedingly difficult to secure financial help. One of the great Conferences of the Church in the home land has agreed to be responsible for about half the support of all our missionaries of the Board of Foreign Missions, and we feel that this new relationship will mean much to the future of our work if we keep the churches of the Troy Conference informed of our needs and opportunities. It was good to see the loved ones in the Homeland and to have this contact with the church in America, but we are deeply grateful to our Heavenly Father, who hath called us to this work, to be back in Rhodesia.

Out-Stations

The out stations of the Old Umtali District continue to receive just the type of supervision needed through the constant labour and devotion of Mr. Adkins.

At the last annual Conference, the district was enlarged by the addition of the Gandanzara Circuit. This made a total of 32 authorized schools. As the Government does not approve of more than 30 schools to be supervised by one man, Mapara and Zuzi were reported as permanently closed so far as authorized schools are concerned. However, Josiah Mutambanengwe, one of the students who has just finished the Bible School Course, asked to be sent to Zuzi to conduct services for the people and to carry on, without any guaranted wage. We were pleased with his missionary spirit. "May his tribe increase."

We were sorry that our camp meeting program last September was seriously altered by the diphtheria quarantine. No camps were held for the Gandanzara and Marange Circuits. The keen desire on the part of the Umtasa Circuit people secured permission for their camp to be conducted under the supervision of the native Ministers. Everything went along nicely which was a further indication of the rapid development of our native leaders.

During the year revivals have been held more extensively in Umtasa Circuit under the minister Rev. Benjamin Katsidzira, and in the Gandanzara Circuit through the assistance of the Bible School. Revival fires were kindled at Wengo and Nhunhama, and efforts were made at Sherukuru and Nyakatsapa with less encouraging results. Just after Easter, through the assistance of Miss Mullikin and her Bible School students, a revival was conducted at Gandanzara which was followed by simultaneous revivals at Mukahanana, Game Valley, Chikuruwo, Zuzi, Tswikiro, Ndingi and Mapara. Encouraging reports came of how the Lord worked upon the hearts of the people in many places. The Evangelist of the Marange Circuit, Isaiah Tichiwanhunyi, has been faithful in his work. He conducted protracted meetings at Masasi, Matanda, and Mutsago. A two-day meeting of the men of the Circuit at Shundure Station resulted in the Salvation of some and the encouragement of many. We were urged at the last Conference, by the Committee on the State of Church. to sound the note of advance by an aggressive evangelistic program. Let us respond to the challenge of our present situation and push into the villages beyond. If every Minister and every Local Preacher will be an Evangelist, we will, through the power of our conquering Christ, see the church move forward and the darkness of ignorance and superstition recede.

Some of our schools that were closed last year have reopened with increased interest. Some others were unable to open in January because of the lack of finances to clear up 1934 debts, but these obligations are rapidly being met. There are at present 7 schools without teachers, but if pastors were available, 5 of these seven could be manned at once. That would leave Tswikiro and Game Valley the only two schools closed of the 30 on the District. At the beginning of the year, Gandanzara was so far behind in its 1934 collections that even the people themselves did not wish to have schools until the debts were paid. We have however managed to keep three of the 6 schools open and effective reductions have been made on the debts. Inspite of the anti—giving propaganda of the Separatist movements the District is in very good financial condition. By the close of December, every station will be free from debt. There has been an increase in attendance. In spite of seven stations being closed there are 400 more children enrolled in school than there were a year ago.

Our Jeanes work has been benefitted by the appointment of Aaron Marchiri who has been doing excellent work among the stations of Umtasa Circuit and also the near-by stations, Mundenda, Marara, Mandiambira and Manyarara, of the Old Umtili Circuit.

The women have been active in their special meetings throughout the district. This has been a help in the spiritual development of the people. Through their extra sacrifice they have helped financially in Marange and Old Umtali Circuits.

Medical Work.

The work of the medical department during the last conference year has been carried on very much in the same way as during previous years. The Government report shows an unusually large number of treatments, partly because of the several epidemics and also from the increase in the number of mining camps all about us. The increase in mine workers has meant also an increase in work among those as yet outside the church and an opportunity to show the meaning of the love of our Lord. A few days ago, a child was brought in from one of the near-by mines. The child had fallen into a deep ditch of water, and was apparantly dead. Several hours of working with the child brought

complete restoration. The joy and gratitude of the whole family was touching. A way for leading these people to God has been opened.

When accidents occur in the mines the sufferers look to the Mission for help. The non-Christian mothers are glad to come now for help for themselves and for their children. We are glad for the opportunity to help them.

The severest epidemic we have had was diphtheria. We have heard that diphtheria was not found among our people, and we were not quick in diagnosis. The first case had what we thought was fever. He was free from fever two days and was about to go home when he became sick again. He had a thorough examination by a doctor. No organic trouble was found, and it was diagnosed weakness following fever. In the next two days, his glands began to swell and when the third day we found another with the same symptoms, we began to suspect diphtheria, and took both patients to a doctor for examination. His diagnosis was diphtheria, and his report to the Government put us in strict quarantine which lasted for nine weeks. During the first four weeks, a daily examination was made of everyone on the Mission. Twenty-nine cases were found. One died for which we were very sorry, but we are thankful for the recovery of 28.

In July and again in February, we had epidemics of influenza In February, the influenza was complicated by pneumonia. Sores, burns, and malaria have been prevalent throughout the year. We have often been crowded for room and are hoping and praying for a new and larger place in which to work. It is also difficult and expensive to keep the present place in repair.

During the year, we have been able to spend three weeks in visiting the Marange Circuit and three weeks in the Gandanzara Circuit. Four or five days were spent at a station. Classes with the fathers and mothers were the outstanding features of the visits. The superstition, ignorance, and filth are unspeakable. Our cry has been that of Livingstone "Who will help to heal this open sore of the world?" Some of the customs which our Christians practice are below the plane of animals. It is hard for them to grasp the teaching of a higher and better way, but they are trying to leave the old and take the new and better way. One question frequently heard was "Why have we not heard this before?" A vigorous work must be done among our Christians in the out-stations along these lines. It is a needy field.

As a result of these visits, some are no longer satisfied to stay in their kraals in times of illness. Many mothers have come in for prenatal care, and whole families have come in for treatments. It is not often that any of the huts here are empty for long at a time.

A new vision of the ignorance and real need of their people has come to our native nurses during these visits to the the outposts. We feel that the full time of a missionary to this type of would bear much fruit.

The maternity work this year has grown. Many of the patients have been from the outstations. We are appaled at the number of mothers who die in the kraals. When asked why they die, the answer is often "It is the will of God." The maternity work is a clear testimony to the people that death in connection with motherhood is not God's will but often the result of carelesseness and neglect. We hope that the training our girls are receiving will help in great measure to decrease the death rate among the women.

Old Umtali Church

The Old Umtali Church continues to minister to the Spiritual needs of the student body and to the groups employed in mining and agriculture in the near-by communities. The usual Sunday morning congregation numbers about 500. Three evening services are conducted, one at the location, one at the Church, and one at Fairfield Girls School. In addition to the services held at Old Umtali centre, there are seven outside preaching places where Sunday services and Sunday Schools are regularly conducted. Because of losses through illness on the Training School staff, Brother Josiah Chimbadzwa has had to do full time teaching in addition to his pastoral duties. This timely help for the school has meant a real loss to the Church work. We trust that some way may be found that will make it possible for him to take full advantage of the evangelistic opportunities among the student body and amongst the mining groups near by.

The outstanding event in the Church activities for the year, were the evangelistic services held at Easter time. These meetings resulted in the deepening of the spiritual life of all our Missionaries and Native workers, as well as the Student body. Following the meetings, the students from the theological and Bible schools went out to many of the out-stations and conducted evangelistic services, with results that have been most gratifying.

Hartzell Training School

In 1934 there was no graduating normal class because the change from Standard VI to VII as the finishing year had not been completed. Our first Standard VII class under the new plin is composed of 13 very fine young people. However, we are not satisfied with the training now being given because the course is overloaded with the academic, teaching methods, practice teaching, Bible, agriculture and industry all included in the course at once. We hope ways and means may be found whereby academic, agricultural and industrial training will be practically completed in Standard VI. Then Standard VII and an additional year might be given to a combined religious (Bible and evangelistic, etc.) and normal course. Entrance to these last two years of training would be only for those who definitely expect and promise to give themselves as religious workers for life, or, at least, for a considerable number of years- perhaps not less than five, save for the girls, who may be expected to marry after varying lengths of services as Bible women. It is evident that this change is proposed because there is too great an emphasis on the secular side of education.

We are sorry to have been deprived of the services of Miss Benson and Miss Pfaff for health reasons and the latter had to go on furlough earlier than she desired or planned, even though furlough was due her. We are forunate that Miss Forrest and Rev. Chimbadzwa were available to take up work in the school in their stead. We welcomed Teacher Nancy Ngonyama into the staff this year. We here record our appreciation of the loyal service of all of the members of the staff.

Besides the usual class projects in industrial work, progress has been made by normal pupils in making simple sets of tools to take away with them to their work later. We were glad to have Teacher Thomas Pedzeni added to the staff. It has been possible to build a 4-room Kimberly brick house for the single men teachers and a Kimberly brick model kraal school is well on the way. The dairy stable has been completed and occupied. With other helpers three needed Kimberly brick houses are

being built and an 84ft. mealie crib is nearing completion. We have word that the money to do up the boys' dormitories will be available, which will meet a great need.

Due to a revision of the tuition requirements there is an increase of boarding boys and, hence, increased need for more and better dormitories. Favorable reports have been made by Government Inspectors on all phases of the work excepting a special criticism on account of the need of another European on the staff for the industrial side of the work.

Our agricultural program has gone on improving, the field work receiving special praise from Dr. Loram and Dr. Reinhaldt Jones who were impressed with the work done by Teacher Kanjanda in going forward with the rotation plan and the building of erosion bunkers which was begun last year. The boarding boys' gardens have benefited by a considerable work in drainage and the careful supervision of Teacher Bepete, who has also done a good job on the boys' orchard and the extending of the eucalyptus plantations.

Fairfield Girls School

The Conference year at Fairfield has been in many ways different from any previous year. There has been an unusual amount of illness due to epidemics of various kinds. At the same time the general health of the girls has been better than for some time.

The peak of the epidemic illness was marked by a nine weeks' quarantine for Diphtheria. During these weeks no classes or public meetings of any kind were held, but the time was profitably spent. The girls were very faithful in individual directed study. Whether as a result of this or not, the Government examination returns showed a smaller proportion of failures than for many years.

This period of deviation from a rigid school routine also bore fruit in a spiritual way, neither girls nor teachers were pushed for time. They were contented and happy and many a mountain side prayer meeting resulted in someone finding Christ more precious to their souls than ever before. Even now testimonies frequently begin with an account of blessing received at the time of the "sickness of the children."

Owing to adjustments in the training school courses there was no senior class last year. There are five girls in the class of '35 who will be ready for service next year.

The present school year had not yet begun when it became apparent that Miss Pfaff must go on leave as soon as possible. We are blest in having as her substitute Miss Forrest of the Church of Scotland Mission, who is most admirably filling the place of a missionary in every way.

The special services at Easter time were a blessing to us all. Our hearts were made glad when many of the girls took a new step and many others experienced deeper blessings. Here are just a few sentences from personal testimonies: "He has changed my life, and I was born again. I now ask Him to have His own way in me, for when I try to do my will I find that I am not doing right." "I do thank the Lord that He has answered my prayer and now I am glad to say He abides in me." "It was before the meetings in April that my heart was filled with joy and all things were changed for me." "He gave me victory and poured His Holy Spirit upon me. I believe He will keep me if I keep myself close to Him" "It was during the Diphtheria that I received His blessings, but I was careless and my heart grew cold. But during the meetings the Lord showed me what I had lost and He helped me

and gave me victory." "I do thank God for what he has done for me these past weeks. He drew me out of many waters, He increased my strength and gave me power to follow Him."

I might go and on, but these are enough to prove that He is working

in the hearts of Fairfield Girls.

Bible and Theological School

These two years in the Bible School, while only a beginning, have fully justified its existence. The teacher has had to feel her way in this new venture and better methods are being found as we go forward. And although most of the students were mature when starting, that there has been growth mentally and spiritually, is beyond question. Eight are ready to go out after Conference five men and three girls, and every one has a place waiting and twice as many men could be used. The girls will go out as real Bible women, not teachers. They will be under supervision and protection and paid a small wage from special gifts. If the need of evangelistic work is not a mere theory, there is a large place of usefulness for the Bible School.

There are nine students in the Theological School, two of these are from the Belgian Congo Conference; one from the South-East Africa Conference, and one from the American Board Mission at Mt. Silinda. It is a great joy and at the same time a tremendous responsibility to work in this way with the future leaders of the Church.

In addition to the usual class room instruction, a good deal of practical training is done in evangelistic meetings and in the regular preaching services in the near-by communities.

Mission Press

The Mission Press continues to increase in the volume of business done. In addition to the Sunday School lessons, and the monthly edition of the Umbowo hwe Ukristu, the Press has published Mr. James' book "Methodist Missions in Rhodesia," and a new edition of Mrs. Taylor's primer in the Vernacular. The printers are now busy on a new Hymn book for the American Board Mission at Mount Silinda.

These are some discouraging situations, such as the increase in separatist movements, the economic condition of our people caused mainly by the lack of a market for their produce, the shortage of missionary staff, etc.etc, but in spite of all the difficulties, progress is being made. The Kingdom of our Lord is on the increase. We look forward with confidence knowing that any work faithfully done in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, is certain of rich fruitage. "My word shall not return to me void."

We are most heartily thankful for the joys of Christian fellowship found among our fellow-workers, and shall always be grateful for the help and inspiration and encouragement that has come through these fifteen years of fellowship with our beloved Bishop.

REPORT OF E. L. SELLS Superintendent of the Umtali-Rusapi District

Bishop Johnson and Fellow-Workers:

As we stop to review the work of this Conference year, to visualize a few of the things undertaken and to appraise the work of the Umtali-Rusapi District in its relation to that of the Conference there comes to mind the verse that is so common to us all.

"We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts not breaths ln feelings, not in figures on the dial. We count time by heart-throbs. He most lives

Who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best."

Throughout the year we have tried to follow the advice of John Wesley:

"Do all the good you can By all the means you can, In all the ways you can, At all the times you can, As long as ever you can."

The work of the year has been most delightful. Problems have been numerous and at times baffling. We have found the love of Christ to be strong and sustaining. The team work of the missionaries, ministers and pastor-teachers has made the year a happy and fruitful one. We have tried to help lighten the burdens of each other from day to day. As a result of such happy co-operation the spirit of optimism is with us. The consecration of our workers is indeed inspiring. The presence of Christ has been with us and we have tried hard to go with Him day by day.

Preaching the Gospel and visiting in the homes of the European people of Umtali and District has been one of the joyful duties of the pastor of St. Andrews Church. Teaching the Scriptures in the Government Schools has given a valuable opportunity to help mold the characters of the future citizens of Rhodesia. One could not ask for a greater place of service than to visit the sick, pray with the dying, help to lift spiritual burdens and to witness for Christ day by day. There has been a good increase in Church membership. St. Andrew's Church has grown up with Umtali and it is exerting a wide reaching influence for good.

The Superintendent of the Native Girl's Hostel writes concerning the work among women and girls in Umtali.

"Nothing startling has developed in the work of the Native Girl's Hostel but it has gone quietly on and the purpose for which the Hostel was designed has been, at least partly, fulfilled. Girls and women traveling sleep safely beneath its roof and are helped on their way when they leave. Patients who require medical attention but do not need to stay at the hospital find a home until they are ready to leave. Sunbeam and Wayfarer detachments from our native school have been organized and groups of recruits are soon to be enrolled. Visits have been made to the locations and near-by villages and the hospital where copies of the Umbowo and Native Mirror have been supplied to the patients. The work is still small but as more girls and women find their way to town to earn their living, as they inevitably will do, it will grow in size, opportunity and importance."

The Umtali Native Church is seriously in need of a new and larger building. The crowds cannot be accommodated for the Sunday Services. More than four-hundred and fifty press into the Church for the afternoon service. The School has an enrollment of one hundred and eighty pupils, It is difficult for four teachers to teach in one building. The Church raised and expended fifteen Pounds (\$75) in repairing the old building. It started a building fund by special efforts at Christmas and Easter time which brought in twenty-six Pounds (\$130.)

There are thirteen village schools in the District. The enrollment has increased over that of last year. Since February the Government Inspector has virited seven of the schools and according to his reports there is a general improvement in educational work. This of course also means that

a better Christian influence is being exerted among the pupils. Of the Umtali school the Inspector says, "What strikes one on entering the school is the quiet industry going on. The second thing is the number of real children and their neat and clean appearance. About the school there is a very wholesome atmosphere. It would certainly do much good to make the work of the school better known."

We can well be proud of the beautiful church at Sharara which was dedicated on June 22nd, 1935. The materials bought for the building cost ninety-eight Pounds (\$490.) The entire amount was paid by the local Church before the dedication service. The interesting thing in connection with the building program which covered a period of two years is that the Church kept up its pastoral support with a puncuality not known of before.

There are many outstanding evidences of health and growth to be found in our churches among the native people. We will only mention a few of them.

- 1. There is an urgent desire on the part of a large number of our church people to witness for Christ. In the Quarterly Conferences last month the number of applications for exhorters licenses was large. We had to carefully select from the candidates and limit the number granted. In Umtali alone there are nineteen local preachers who assist the minister in conducting the nine Sunday services. Among the women the desire to witness for Christ is on the increase. Our members are taking that witness into their places of employment and as a result many have been recently converted. Like the Disciples of old, who when they were scattered abroad went everywhere preaching the word, so is the urge within the church.
- 2. The numerous requests that are continually coming to our ministers to hold services and Bible classes is most encouraging. In Chiluku Circuit three daily Bible schools have been started on the initiative of the stewards and are being carried on without any expense whatsoever to the Mission. We should be able to use this form of evangelism to a great advantage as the possibility of increasing the number of village schools continues to decrease. In Umtali our preachers are always welcome and at times are urged to hold services away from the regular preaching places. We know that if we truly hold Christ up He will draw men to Himself.
- 3. The Offerings and giving, and the interest that is being expressed in supporting the work show encouraging tendencies.

We realize that conditions and attitudes for giving and local support vary from Circuit to Circuit. We must give some recognition to the present difficulty in marketing what there is to sell. In many places it is difficult to find offerings. On the other hand we so often fail to take into consideration the fact that with the average native person his giving is greatly influenced by his like or dislike of the minister or pastorteacher, or by church discipline in matters of morality or by native customs of marriage and heathen pressure. The amount that is given does have a relationship to the economic condition but the attitude and spirit of giving is a matter that springs from the spiritual condition. When one loves Christ, his church and others, he will give and nothing will prevent him from doing his best. Using native thought, the medicine so often needed is not necessarily land, cattle or crops but a genuine love for Christ and a purity of heart. In this District where this is found and Christ is given the first place and not the "leavings" the work is well supported. With us there has been some improvement during the year as the self-support has increased in more than half the churches.

4. The Gospel message is slowly having a leavening influence among the people. In matters of immorality there have been less cases for discipline this year then in previous years. In the teaching and practice of temperance and abstinence our church continues to build a strong influence and restraining force among the native people. When the Rukwadzano rwe Wadzimayi (Women's Organization) first began to hold monthly meetings among the women of the Umtali Location, the bar was filled with the women drinking along with the men. Today things are different and but few women are are to be found in the bar. A few months ago I called on Headman Kufa while visiting Chiduku Circuit. After the usual greetings our conversation drifted to the early days before the white man came to Rhodesia. He told about the terrible drinking habits among his people and how they used up the most of their fool in making beer. Then he added, "The Methodist Church has helped me and my people very much. Before the church came here the young men were always drunk and fighting. Today there is but little drinking about this place and the fighting has ceased.

In conclusion, we join with Charles Kingsley in saying, "I do not want merely to possess a faith; I want a faith that possesses me." Methodism in Rhodesia has a faith that possesses it. May we keep it living and strong; serving the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

Our prayer and devotion is expressed in a poem by Richard Trench

"Make channels for the streams of love,
Where they may broadly run;
For God has overflowing streams
To fill them every one.
But if at any time we cease
Such channels to provide,
The very founts of love for us
Will soon be parched and dried.
For we must share if we would keep
That blessing from above;
Ceasing to give we cease to have
Such is the law of love."

(b) COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of the Board of Education

The Board of Education recommends the following:

1. That the male native teachers at Centers be given one month's holiday each year. Free time for personal duties may be given at the discretion of the person in charge.

2. That the Secretary of the Conference present to the Director of Native Education our view of the benefits and impetus given to the kraal schools during the years when the Government provided equipment grants, and urge the early restoration of these grants.

Chairman H. E. Taylor Secretary W. T. Shields

Report of Home Missions and Church Extension

We wish to call attention to the action passed by the Conference in 1931 that special offerings be taken at Christmas for the benefit of Home Missions and Church Extension.

> Chairman I. V. Munjoma Secretary Ila M. Scovill

Report of the Medical Committee

The present dispensary at Old Umtali is inadequate and unsafe.

Its present location is a menace to the health of the Mission because of its close proximity to the Missionary residences and school, the drainage from the dispensary is directly towards these buildings. This is particularly true because of the ignorant type of patients.

Therefore we urgently ask that the building funds be made available for relocating and erecting a new medical plant at Old Umtali.

Chairman, H. E. Taylor Secretary, A. Whitney

Report of the Board of Sunday Schools

- 1. That S. S. Lessons for Juniors and Lesson Plans for Teachers of Primary children be prepared and printed.
 - That a committee composed of

Miss Quinton Miss Mullikin Miss Ramsey Mr. Nduna

A. Kapenzi

be appointed to proceed with the preparation of these lessons.

3. That the space allowed for lesson helps in the present Sunday School Quarterly be increased providing that expenses can be met.

F. Quinton Secretary

Report of The Committee on the State of The Church

The Committee recommends:

1. That an organization of the native women of our Church, to be called "Rukwadzano Rwe Wadzimayi Rwe Methodist Episcopal Church" be formed, and that the following constitute a committee to frame a constitution and report to the next Annual Conference:

Committee:

Mrs. Obadiah Chimonyo Mrs. Mayibaya Mrs. Jackson Rugayo Mrs. Samuel Chieza Titus Marange Josiah Chimbadzwa Mrs. Geo. Roberts Miss F. Quinton M. J. Murphree

Reserve Members

Mrs. Phillip Chieza Mrs. Job Tsiga Mrs. Mataure Mrs. Enoch Munjoma

- 2. That the ministers be urged to use the disciplinary form of service for the dedication of Christian homes.
- 4. The following requirements to be made of those wishing to become Full Members of the Church:

- (1) A clear testimony of present and personal salvation.
- (2) Fair knowledge of the Catechism.
- (3) Refrain from night dancing.
- (4) Reasonable attendance upon the means of grace and giving to the support of the church.
- (5) Christian marriage, in case both husband and wife are Christians.
- (6) The possession of a New Testament and Hymnal, if able to read.

We recommend that these rules, if passed, and others passed by this Conference be printed on the back of the Probationers' and Full Members' tickets.

> Chairman, W. Bourgaize Secretary, L. E. Adkins

Report of the Board of Stewards

We recommend that all Native Helpers in Training, at Old Umtali, shall not be required to pay into the Savings Fund while they are attending school.

Secretary, R. M. Ngonyama

. Report of the Committee on Resolutions

Part I

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to all at Old Umtali for their gracious hospitality which has given such rich opportunity for Christian fellowship.

We lovingly welcome seven-months old Barbara Adkins to her first Conference.

We are all happy to welcome Rev. and Mrs. Murphree and Miss Ona Parmenter, who have returned from furlough during the past Conference year.

We regret that Miss Gugin, due to an unfortunate accident, was kept from attending the sessions.

Part II

It has been a pleasure to have Mrs. Johnson in our midst for several recent Conferences. Those of our number who knew her in the earlier years have been happy to renew that friendship on these occasions; those who have arrived on the field in later years have considered it a privilege to become acquainted with her. We greatly regret that she could not be with us this year.

As a small token of our affection and best wishes we, in the name of the Rhodesia Annual Conference, wish to present this small remembrance to her.

Part III

Dear Bishop Johnson,

In behalf of the the Ministers and Missionaries of the Rhodesia Annual Conference, we, the senior representatives (Eddy H. Greeley and David Mandisodza,) have been chosen to say a few words to you at this the last time you preside over our Conference, and we wish that Mrs. Johnson were here to share with you what we may say.

You, no doubt, realize with us how different the relation is which you hold to us, from that of our Bishops in the homeland. You have been our presiding officer and wise advisor and loving co-worker for nearly twenty years, excepting the one year when Bishop Shepard was with us.

We have thereby learned to know and love each other better from year to year, and this heaven born grace has grown and ripened, as it should, into a friendship which we trust shall never end. Love and esteem are among the unseen things which are eternal and which absence and time can not efface.

As a token of our love and esteem toward you now, and to remind you in the years to come of our united labor of love for the Master in Rhodesia for five quadrenniums we, with pleasure, present to you this album of our work which in particular depicts the work as it now is, by Districts, but also has some historical interest in scenes from the early days of the work. We hope it may add to the joys of your coming years. We bid you God speed wherever our God of leve plans for your future years, before He calls you to your eternal home.

Chairman, E. L. Sells Secretary, Miss W. Shields

(e) CONFERENCE TREASURER

Report of Conference Treasurer

July 13, 1935.

Conference Claimants' Fund	2		0	
Local Preachers' Relief Native Helpers' Savings	90	15	0	
General Conference Expenses	1	13	10	
Home Missions		0		_
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Interest and Equipment Bank Balance	81		· / ~
Cash on hand	7	4	$81/_{2}$
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Conference Claimants' Fund	156	14	3
Local Preachers' Relief "	78	6	4
Native Helpers' Savings "	635	1	11
General Conference Expenses	3	4	10
Home Missions Fund	3	3	0
Caffray Evangelistic Fund	3	11	6

Funds in U.S.A:

The Board of Foreign Missions holds to the credit of our Conference Claimants \$2,052.13, @ 3% interest.

£880 1 10

The Board of Pensions and Relief holds to the credit of our Conference a Reserve Fund of \$258.17, @ 334% interest.

Conference Treasurer, R. C. Gates

(f) OTHER TREASURERS

None

(g) MISCELLANEOUS

The Constitution of the Native Christian Convention approved by the Annual Conference

The Native Christian Convention of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Southern Rhodesia.

Constitution and Rules.

1. Name

- The name of this organization shall be the Native Christian Convention of the Methodist Episcopal Church.
 - 2. Aims.
- (a) To improve the establishment of the Kingdom of Christ among our people.

b) The unity of our people.

- (c) To study and to solve the problems of the Church.
- (d) To deepen the principles of the Church in the lives of the Christian people.
 - 3. Officers.
 - The officers of the Convention shall be:-
 - 1. President.
 - 2. Vice President.
 - 3, Secretary.
 - 1. Vice Secretary.
 - 5. Treasurer.

(b) The officers shall be nominated by the Convention in session and elected by the Annual Conference annually. (Per the Annual Mission Conference 1928.)

These officers with two elected members shall form the Committee $\mathbf{o^n}$ Agenda.

(c) Any officer failing to fullfil his duties purposely shall lose his office.

4 Duties of Officers.

- (a) The President shall preside over all the meetings of the Convention. He shall call all meetings through the Secretary.
- (b) The Vice-President shall act in the absence of the president and shall assist him generally.
- (c) The Secretary shall call meetings at the request of the president and shall keep the records of the proceedings of the meetings which shall be read at the Annual Conference. (Per Conference 1928.)
- (d) The Vice Secretary shall act in the absence of the Secretary and shall assist him generally.
- (e) The Treasurer shall keep an account of all the money of the Convention which shall be reported at the close of each Session.

5. Committee on Agenda.

- (a) The Committee an Agenda shall direct the work of the Convention and consider the items coming from each district.
- (b) The Committee on Agenda shall meet once a year and when called by the President.
- (c) The expenses of the members of the Committee on Agenda shall be paid by the Convention.

6. Membership.

All Native Ministers, Teachers, Local-Preachers, Stewards, Class-Leaders and any member, male or female in good standing, of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Southern Rhodesia is eligible for membership in the Convention.

7. Missionary Advisory Members.

At least two Missionaries shall be elected by the Annual Conference as advisory members. (Per Annual Mission Conference of 1928.)

8. Annual Convention.

- (a) The Convention shall determine its own place of meeting year by year.
- (b) The time of meeting shall be during the school vacation next preceding the date of the Annual Conference. (Per Annual Mission Conference of 1928.)

9. Subscription.

- (a) Subscription shall be 6d per member annually.
- (b) This sum shall be collected by the Native Minister in charge of a circuit, who will keep a record of the same.
- (c) Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer shall deposit all the money left, after each Convention, and shall draw the same.

Any change in the Constitution shall be considered by the Committee on Agenda and be approved by two-thirds vote of the Convention,

Part VII

MEMOIRS

Beulah Faku

Beulah, the child of Rev. Clifford Faku was born at Mtoko, on the 30th of December 1930, and died in Old Umtali dispensary on the 18th of April 1935 after one day of intense suffering.

We express our deep sympathy with those who mourn her death, especially the father, and all her close relatives. But let us comfort ourselves by the words which were spoken by our Lord Jesus Christ saying, "Let not your heart be troubled, ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Fathers's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto my self; that where I am, there ye may be also."

L. E. Adkins

Ivy Machiri

Ivy Machiri was born at Nyakatsapa on the 9th of November., 1925.

At the age of nine years, she left her parents and went to live with her grandmother at Gandanzara. There she was severely attacked by headache and fever.

The illness lasted only two weeks, then she silently went home to be with the Lord Jesus Christ in eternity.

Our sincere sympathy goes out to the Rev. and. Mrs Patrick Machiri and the relatives who mourn the death of the child.

R. M. Ngonyama.

Harrison Marange

During the following days of our last Conference, one passed to his reward, whom we all loved, Harrison Marange. Though not a member of the Conference, yet he was one of us in the service of the Master.

He came to Old Umtali to school in 1914. After five years, he left school and worked in the Press. 1920-1923 he taught in Umtali. 1924-1925 he studied again at Old Umtali. 1926-1929 he was appointed to Mtoko centre. 1930-1934 Mutambara. Here, the sad event occurred on the 24th of June 1934. He left his dear wife and five lovely daughters. His last words were, "rejoice with me, for I have found my friend Jesus."

Harrison was a faithful, dependable and strong Christian leader among his people. His influence for good at Mutambara shall never be forgotten. While we feel the loss of his bright face, his useful life, and his helpful way, yet God's work has been enhanced by his godly life.

"And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them." Rev. 14:13.

J. M. Chimbadzwa

ROLL OF THE DEAD

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

E Members of Conference

Canandaigua, N. Y.	55	Mar. 7, 1925	Mai	111	1907	Harrisburg, Pen.	Howard, Herbert N.
Salisbury, Rhodesia	1.9	Aug. 3, 1924	Aug	21	1887	Long Branch, N, J.	
Monrovia, Cal.	52	Aug. 3, 1917	Aug	26	1899	Fertility, Pen.	Buchwalter, Abraham L.
Place of Burial	Age	Died		Years of Missionary Service in Africa	Entered Conference	Place of Birth	

3 Widows of Deceased Members; None

Emily Faku, Wife of Clifford Faku, died March 1, 1934. Naomi Mparutsa, Wife of Moses Mparutsa, died February 12th, 1933. Emma Katsidzira, Wife of Murashwa Katsidzira, died May 3rd, 1933 Wives of Members:

Other Workers:

(c) Mr. Charles F. Taylor, aged 67, missionary to China, died in the Umtali Hospital, August 14, 1927, and was buried at Old Umtali. Miss Sadie Rexrode, W. F. M. S. aged 38, died January 22, 1921, after three years service in S. Rhodesia: buried

of thirty - five years. She served in China and Japan from 1894 to 1900, in East Africa at Inhambane 1909 to Miss E. E. Bjorklund, Age 63. Died November 19th, 1930. Her missionary service extended over a period at Old Umtali 1915 and in Rhodesia at Old Umtali 1915 to 1929. Buried at Old Umtali.

Part IX HISTORICAL

(a) Conference Sermons

Year	Preached by	Where
	H. I. James H. N. Howard	
1921	M. J. Murphree	Old Umtali Church
1923	H. I. JamesWilfred Bourgaize	Old Umtali Church
1929	E. L. Sells	Old Umtali Church
	J. Chimbadzwa	

(b) Former Members and Probationers

R. E Beetham1901-1905	W. C. Terrill1907-1911
J. L. DeWitt1901-1905	G. A. Stockdale 1907-1913
E. H. Richards1901-1913	Tizore Nevass1907-1913
M. W. Ehnes1901-1905	H. N. Howard1909-1924
J. M. Springer1901-1919; 1921-1924	P. W. Keys1909-1915
R. Wodehouse 1901-1910	F. Conquer1909-1912
F. D. Wolf	C. H. Runfeldt1909-1910
Samuel Gurney1902-1905: 1909-1924	Muti Sikobele 1909-1913
J. A. Baldwin1903-1905	C. A. Kent1913-1916
J. H. Dimmit	J. D. Pointer1912-1915
D. A. Carson	J. G. Brass1921-1923
A. L. Buchwalter 1905-1917	L. E. Tull
J. E. Ferris1905-1911	F. G. Mauger1923-1932
S. D. Coffin1905-1913	R. F. Wagner

(c) Conference Sessions

EAST CENTRAL AFRICA MISSION CONFERENCE

	TIME	PLACE	Візнор	SECRETARY
1901,	Nov. 16	(Umtali and (Old Um t ali	Hartzell	Springer
			Hartzeil	\dots Beetham
1905,	May 26	Umtali	Hartzeil	Ferris
1907,	Mar. 13	Umtali	Hartzell. Burt	Ferris
1907,	Nov. 22	Umtali	Hartzell	Ferris
1909,	July, 10	Umtalı	Hartzell	Greeley
1910,	Aug. 17	Umtali	. Hartzell	. Greeley
1911,	June 7	Umtali	Hartzell, Wilson	Gurney
1912,	Feb. 17	Old Umtali	(Rev. J. R. Gates)	O'Farrell
1913,	Oct. 22	Old Umtali	Hartzell	Greeley

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1915,	Jan.	20	Old Umtali	 .Hartzell	Greeley
1916.	Feb.	16	Old Umtali	(Rev. J. R. Gates)	Greeley

1917,	May	3	 Old Umtali	 Johnson	 	Greeley
1917,	Dec.	7	 Old ∪mtali	 Johnson	 	J. R. Gates
1919,	Apr.	4	 Umtali	 Johnson	 	Gurney
1921,	June	13	 Old Umtali	 Johnson	 	James
1922,	June	1.4	 Old Umtali	 Johnson	 	James
1923,	June	19	 Old Umtali	 Johnson	 	James
1924,	Aug.	13	 Old Umtali	 Shepard	 	James
1925,	June	23	 Oid Umtali	 Johnson	 	James
1926,	Nov.	4	 Nyadiri	 Johnson	 	Wagner
1927,	June	14	 Old Umtali	 \dots Johnson	 	R. C. Gates
1928,	Sept.	10	 Old Umtali	 \dots Johnson	 	Murphree
1929,	July	3	 Old Umtali	 Johnson	 	Murphree
1930,	July	9	 Mutambara	 Johnson	 	Murphree

RHODESIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

						Murphree
1932,	Sept.	28	 Old Umtali	 Johnson	 	Sells
1933,	June	14	 Old Umtali	 Johnson	 	Sells
1934,	June	13	 Old Umtali	 Johnson	 	Sells
1935,	July	9	 Old Umtali	 Johnson	 	Sells

(d) General Delegates to the General Conference

1932

Ministerial

T. A. O'Farrell; Reserve— H. I. James

Lay

Miss Ruth E. Hansson; Reserve—Miss Oril Penney

1936

Ministerial

H. I. James; Reserve— E. L. Sells

Lay

Miss Sarah N. King; Reserve-Mrs. H. I. James

Missionaries 1898-1935

List of Missionaries sent to the Rhodesia Work by the Board at New York, beginning with the opening of the work in 1898, with dates of entering and leaving the work.

Rev. M. W. Ehnes1898-1901	(1901
Mrs. M. W. Ehnes 1898-1901	(Mrs.H. F. Rasmussen \(\begin{pmatrix} 1901 \\ 1905-1906 \end{pmatrix}
Rev. J. L. DeWitt 1899-1901	Mrs. J. M. Springer (1921-1924)
Mrs. J. L. De Witt1899-1901	Miss H E. Johnson1901-1904
Mrs. Anna Arndt1899-1902	Rev. R. E. Beetham1901-1905
Mr. Herman Heinkle1899-1903	Mr. G. M. Odlam1901-1902
Dr. Hammett 1899-1899	Rev. Samuel Gurney (1902-1905
Miss Culver1899-1899	(1909-1924
Rev. E. H. Greeley1900-	Mrs. S. Gurney1902-1902
Rev. R. Wodehouse1901-1910	Mr. D. A. Carson1902-1903
Mrs. R. Wodehouse1901-1910	Mrs. D. A. Carson1902-1903
Rev. J. M. Springer (1901-1906	Rev. J. H. Dimmit1903-1903
(1921-1924	Rev. G. A. Baldwin1903-1905

Miss H. L. Lodge 1907-— Mrs. W. C. Gardner 1921-1924 1908-1914 Miss G. Beven 1922-1927 1916-1932 Miss B. Reitz 1922- Miss S. Coffin 1907-1911 Rev. R. C. Gates 1922- Miss S. Coffin 1907-1912 Mrs. R. C. Gates 1922- Miss S. Coffin 1907-1913 Mrs. R. C. Gates 1922- Rev. G. A. Roberts 1907- Miss A. Moore 1922-1927 Mrs. A. L. Buchwalter 1909-1915 Mrs. J. G. Brass 1922-1923 Mrs. A. L. Buchwalter 1909-1915 Mrs. J. G. Brass 1922-1923 Mrs. H. N. Howard 1909-1920 Mrs. F. G. Mauger 1923-1930 Mrs. H. N. Howard 1909-1920 Mrs. F. G. Mauger 1923-1930 Mrs. E. D. Nourse 1909-1921 Miss Ethel McMann 1923-1931 Miss P. Mullikin 1909- Miss Sarah King 1923- Rev. T. A. O'Farrell 1910- Miss B. Ramsey 1924- Mrs. T. A. O'Farrell 1910- Miss B. Fowles 1912- Miss J. G. Woodruff 1925-1930 Miss G. Clark 1912- Miss J. G. Woodruff 1925-1930 Miss G. Clark 1912- Miss J. G. Woodruff 1925-1930 Mrs. S. R. P. Montgomery 1925-1927 Miss G. Clark 1912- Miss Oril Penney 1926- Mrs. H. I. James 1913- Miss Oril Penney 1926- Mrs. H. I. James 1913- Miss Mildred O. Benson 1926- Mrs. H. I. James 1913- Miss Mildred O. Benson 1926- Mrs. E. E. Bjorklund 1915-1930 Mrs. E. L. Sells 1929- Miss E. A. Hess 1915-1930 Mrs. E. L. Sells 1929- Miss S. Rexrode 1918-1921 Miss Vilhelmina Shields 1930- Miss L. Tubbs 1918-1921 Miss Mildred Outled 1932- Miss F. Quinton 1917- Miss Jessie Pfaff 1929- Miss L. Tubbs 1918-1921 Miss Milhelmina Shields 1930- Miss L. Tubbs 1918-1921 Miss Frene Gugin 1932- Rev. H. E. Taylor 1919- Rev. L. E. Adkins 1933- Rev. H. E. Taylor 1919- Rev. L. E. Adkins 1933- Rev. H. E. Taylor 1919- Rev. L. E. Adkins 1933- Rev. H. E. Taylor 1919- Rev. L. E. Adkins 1933- Rev. H. E. Taylor 1919- Rev. L. E. Adkins 1933- Rev. H. E. Taylor 1919- Rev. L. E. E. L.	Rev. J. E. Ferris 1904-1909 Mrs. J. E Ferris 1904-1909 Rev. S. D. Coffin 1905-1911 (Miss Swormstedt (1905-) (Mrs S. D. Coffin (1907-1911 Mr. E. L. Sechrist 1906-1909 Mrs. E. L. Sechrist 1906-1909 Rev. J. R. Gates (1906-1919)	Miss O. Parmenter 1920- Rev. M. J. Murphree 1920- Mrs. J. M. Murphree 1920- Miss M. Fuller 1921-1931 Rev. A. De Jacoby 1921-1921 Mrs. A. De Jacoby 1921-1921 Rev. W. Bourgaize 1921- Rev. L. E. Tull 1921-1927
Rev. G. A. Roberts 1907- Miss A. Moore 1922-1927 Rev. A. L. Buchwalter 1909-1915 Rev. J. G. Brass 1922-1923 Mrs. A. L. Buchwalter 1909-1915 Mrs. J. G. Brass 1922-1923 Rev. H. N. Howard 1909-1920 Mrs. F. G. Mauger 1923-1930 Mrs. H. N. Howard 1909-1920 Mrs. F. G. Mauger 1923-1930 Miss E. D. Nourse 1909-1921 Miss Etbel McMann 1923-1931 Miss P. Mullikin 1909- Miss B. Ramsey 1923- Rev. T. A. O'Farrell 1910- Miss B. Ramsey 1923- Mrs. T. A. O'Farrell 1910- Miss B. Ramsey 1924- Mrs. J. G. O'Farrell 1910- Miss J. G. Woodruff 1923-1934 Miss R. N. Goddard (1912- Miss Ila Scovill 1925-1930 Miss G. Clark 1912- Mrs. S. R. P. Montgomery 1925-1927 Mrs. C. A. Kent 1912- Mrs. S. R. P. Montgomery 1925-1927 Mrs. C. A. Kent 1912- Miss Ruth E. Hansson 1926- Mrs. H. I. James 1913- Mrs. E. L. Sells 19	Miss H. L. Lodge 1916-1932 Mrs J. R. Gates 1907-— 1908-1914 1916-1932	Mr. W. C. Gardner 1921-1925 Mrs. W. C. Gardner 1921-1924 Miss G. Beven 1922-1927 Miss B. Reitz 1922-
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	Miss S. Rexrode	Miss Wilhelmina Shields 1930- Miss Allice Whitney 1931- Miss Irene Gugin 1932- Rev. L. E. Adkins 1933-

The following additional workers were hired here on the field:

Rev. M. H. Reid, 1898; Mrs. R. St. Tulloch, 1902; Mr. M. B. Spears, 1905; Mrs. H. Brown, 1903; Miss M. Brown, 1903; Miss Cuff, 1903; Mrs. T. Stratton, 1905; Miss E. Bennett, 1905; Rev. C. H. Beagley, 1906; Mr. W. H. Robson, 1906; Miss A. F. Gray, 1906; Rev. G. A. Stockdale, 1907; Mr. W. Garner, 1907; Mrs. W. Garner, 1907; Miss Blezzard, 1907; Mr. C. S. Till, 1910; Mrs. C. S. Till 1910; Mrs. L. Carson, 1911; Mr. R. Mackenzie, 1912; Rev. R. B. Wallace, 1913; Mrs. R. B. Wallace, 1913; Mr. J. G. Paisley, 1912; Rev. William Garner, 1912; Mr. William Hodgson, 1917; Mrs. C. Searle, 1918-192; Mr. C. S. Till, 1920; B. J. E. Pretorius 1924; Mr. G. Pretorius 1925-1930; Miss J. McMorran 1928-1930; Mrs. Uys. 1920-1933. Miss Leuise Forrest 1935;

Part A

(a) MISCELLANEOUS

Plan of Conference Examinations

For Europeans as per 1932 Discipline Paragraph. 202

Undergraduates may sit for examinations at the seat of the Finance Committee meetings as well as at the seat of the Conference.

Year	Study No.	Examiner
Admission on Trial	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6,	M. J. Murphree E. L. Sells R. C. Gates W. Bourgaize H. I. James M. J. Murphree
First Year	1, 2, 3. 4. 5, Reading 1, 4, 2, 5, 3, 6,	E. L. Sells W. Bourgaize H. I. James M. J. Murphree R. C. Gates
Second Year	1, 2, 3, 4, Reading 1, 5, 2, 6, 3, 7,	W. Bourgaize H. I. James M. J. Murphree R. C. Gates
Third Year	1. 2, 3, 4, 5, Reading 1, 4, 2, 5, 3, 6,	H. I. James W. Bourgaize E. L. Sells R. C. Gates T. A. O'Farrell R. C. Gates
Fourth Year	1, 2, 3, 4, Reading 1, 4, 2, 5, 3, 6,7,	W. Bourgaize E. L. Sells R. C. Gates H. I. James R. C. Gates

Courses of Study for the Rhodesia Annual Conference

TRAVELLING MINISTRY

FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL

EXAMINATION.	Examiner
 Discipline: Articles of Religion. South African History. Life of Wesley - Telford or Winchester. The Moffets - Hubbard. 	E. L. Sells J. Chimbadzwa M. J. Murphree C. Faku
5. Bible Biographies: a. Life of Christ - St. Mark. b. Life of Paul - Acts c. Life of Moses - Exodus.	T. A. O'Farrell

6. Written Sermon,

R. C. Gates

FIRST YEAR.

EXAMINATION.

1.	Discipline. Parts I to VI.	E. L. Sells
2 .	History of Methodism - Faulkner.	W. Bourgaize
3.	Plain Account of Christian Perfection - Wesley.	C. Faku
4.	Translation to Vernacular, Articles of Religion.	J. Chimbadzwa

COLLATERAL READIND:

1.	Pilgrim's Progress - Bunyan.	5	
2.	David Livingstone - J. J. Ellis	}	R. C. Gates
3.	The Making of the Bible - Vernou.	y	

SECOND YEAR.

EXAMINATION

1.	Primer of Homiletics - Edwards.	E. L. Sells
2.	A People's Life of Christ - Smyth.	W. Bourgaize
3.	Primer of Christian Doctrine - Terry.	C. Faku
4.	Outline: Genesis Exodus, Acts, and Romans.	T. A. O'Farrell

COLLATERAL READING:

2.	The Tongue of Eire - Arthur Life of Khama. Selections from the Writings of John Wesley - Walch	}	R. C. Gates
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THIRD YEAR

EXAMINATION.

Examiner

- History of the Christian Church Grant. J. Chimbadzwa Shorter Manual of Theology - Beet. W. Bourgaize 3. The Moselm World-Zwemer, C. Faku T. A. O'Farrell
- 4. Life and Times of Jesus Grant.

COLLATERAL TEADING:

The Soul-Winner's Secret - Brenale. Christian Baptism - Merrill. R. C. Gates 3. Heart of Asbury's Journal - Tipple.

FOURTH YEAR

EXAMINATION.

1. New Testament History - Maclean. E. L. Sells Lives of Eminent Africans - Gollock.
 Faith of a Christian - Sketchley. W. Bourgaize M. J. Murphree T. A. O'Farrell 4. The Worker and His Bible - Eiselen and Barclay.

COLLATERAL READING

 a. Preacher and Prayer - Bounds.
 b. Purity of Heart - General Booth. The Indwelling Spirit - Davidson. 3. a. Roman Catholic Doctrine Examined.—Brooks b. "Should Christians Keep the Sabbath." Torrey.

Substitutes

1. The Bible - Dods 2. Digest of Methodist Law - Merrill; 3. Life of Paul - Stalker; 4. Bible History - Blaikie: 5. The Peacher, His life and work - Jovett: 6. Manual of Christian Doctrine - Banks 7. The Land of Israel - Stewart: 8. 1000. Questions on Methodism Wheeler and 9. How to study the Bible - Clifford Monle: 10. The Christian Faith-Curtis: 11. Short History of the Christian Church - Hurst; 12. Twenty-five Articles - Wheeler 13. Public Worship - Hoyt; 14. Life of Luther-MacClifforts 15. Christian in Doctrine and Expedience Parks 15. McGiffert: 15. Christianity in Doctrine and Experience - Buck: 16. Religious Education in the Home - Folson: 17. Short Chapters of African History - Wheatherhead 18. Islam and Africa -Dale.

(50 Books in all)

(b) CONFERENCE RULES OF ORDER

None

(c) SUPPLIES AND LOCAL PREACHERS

Chafika, Peter Chieza, William Chingono, Johnson Chingwena, Matthew Chirewa, Stephen Chitenderu, Daniel Chitereka, Shadrach Chitivo, Silas Chiwadzwa, Enoch Chiwara, Simon Chigubu, Nason Chiri, Elijah Dangirhwa, Jonah Dzapasi, James Gezi, Julius Gondora, Job Gurupira, Gideon Gurupira, David Hamadziripi, Vincent Hunidzarira, Moses Kachisi, Anderson Kadzinga, Stephen Kaitano, James Kambarami, Eddie Kambarami, Timothy Kamusono, Thomas Kanonuhwa, Peter Kanouyangwa, Jackson Kanvenze, Solomon Karimanzira, Shadrach Karonga, Sande Kunyarimwe, Roderick Kasambira, Leonard Madenyika, Isaiah Mahowa, Lazarus

Mahowa, Lazarus Mandisodza, Wilson Manyange, Benson Mapindu, Jotham Maraire, Tennyson Marhwa, Peter Matanga, Mark Matara, Thomas Matema, Davidson Matongo, Samuel Maviza, Paul

Mazaiwana, Philemon

Mrewa, Enoch Mrewa, Josiah Mucha, Stephen Mudede, Willie Mufunde, Peter Mujeni, James Mupikata, David Mutare, David Mutonho, Aaron Myududu, Elisha Makuto, Joseph Manjoro, Samuel Manyarara, Davidson Masiya, Isaac Matlyukira, Dixon Mhlanga, Towndie Mukamba, Clifton Munioma, Samuel Mupenzwa, Lionel Mwanga, Wilson Ndidzano, Nathan Nyagura, Martin Nyakunu, Jeffries Nyemba, Shadrach Parirenyatwa, David Parwehosi, Morrison Pawiremanzi, Solomon Rasira, Philemon Rinomhota, Nathaniel Risinamudzi, Jotham Sachiti, Johnson Samakande, Jacob Sauramba, Elisha Sora, Samson

Tichi wanhunyi, Isaiah

Tsoka, Abraham

Tsopotso, Isaiah

Tsododo, Robert

Zisengwe, Ferris

(a) LAY CONFERENCES

Tuesday June 9th, 1935

The Lay Conference met to organize immediately after the close of the first session of the Annual Conference. Bishop Johnson took the chair and Miss Shields acted as Secretary while the roll of the delegates was made. Mrs Sells was then elected chairman and Miss King secretary.

Mrs. Sells announced plans for meetings on the afternoons of Tuesday and Wednesday and the session was closed with prayer by Mrs.

Gates.

Afternoon

The Lay Conference was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by Mrs. Sells and opened by the singing of No. 209 in the Chimanyika Hymnal.

Mrs. Roberts read a Scripture Lesson from the 1st Chapter of James

and spoke on the place of laymen in the Church. She led in prayer.
Mrs. Sells then introduced Titus Marange who led a discussion on the

work of Rukwadzano.

The question of a badge for the Rukwadzano was raised and after discussion the following were appointed a committee to consider it.

Samuel Chieza Helen Chimbadzwa Miss King Cecelia Matlyunge

Benjamin Katsidzira Luke Mukwedeya Solomon Kanvenze

Adjournment was taken at 5 p.m.

Wednesday June 10th, 1935

At a special meeting of the Lay Conference held at 8:30 a.m. it was agreed to present the following suggestion to the Conference:-

"In order to further the plans for womens' work the Lay Conference would like to ask whether the Conference thinks best for the Rukwadzano rhwe Wadzimayi in our Church to be affiliated with similar groups of other Churches or to be an organization entirely of the Methodist Episcopal Church."

Afternoon

The Lay Conference met at 2:30 p.m. Mrs. Sells opened the meeting. No. 130 in the Chimanyika Hymnal was sung and she led in prayer.

The minutes of the three previous meetings were read and approved.

The election of a delegate to the General Conference was taken up. The rules for such an election were read and explained by the Chairman. When the vote was taken the count was as follows on the first ballot:

> Mrs. James 3 Delegate Miss King 14

Sarah King having received the majority was declared elected.

The ballot was taken for the Reserve Delegate with the following result.

Mrs. James 11 Miss Ramsey 5 Mrs. Sells 1

Mrs. James was declared elected.

After a season of prayer for the work represented by the different delegates the meeting was adjourned at 4 30 p.m.

Secretary, S. N. King

(e) CONFERENCE AND MISSIONARY ROLL

Full Members of Conference

(Add to each address, S. Rhodesia, Africa)

Adkins, L. E. Bourgaize, Wilfred * Philip, Chieza Chieza, Samuel Chimbadzwa, Josiah Chimonyo, Obadiah Chitombo, Jonah Darikwa, Isaiah Faku, Clifford Gates, R. C. Gates, J. R. James, H. I Kapenzi, Amos Kasambira, Silas Katsidzira, Benjamin Katsidzira, Hosea Katsidzira, Muraswha Machiri, Jonah Machiri, Patrick Mandisodza, David Maramba, Johnson Marange, Thomas Marange, Titus Mparutsa, Moses Mukombiwa, Zechariah Munjoma, Enoch Munjoma, Isaiah Murphree, M. J. Mutambanengwe, Maxin Nduna, John Ngonyama, Reginald O'Farrell, T. A. Roberts G. A. Rugayo, Jackson

Old Umtali Mtoko Odzi Mtoko Old Umtali Old Umtali Nyadiri Mission, Via Salisbury Mrewa Old Umtali Mrewa (On furlough) (On furlough) Old Umtali Old Umtali Odzi Mrewa Old Umtali Old Umtali Nyakatsapa, Old Umtali Nyakatsapa, Old Umtali Penhalonga P. O. Box 55, Umtali P. O. Box 55, Umtali Nyadiri Misson, Via Salisbury Inyazura Mtoko P. O. Box 333, Salisbury Old Umtali P. O. Box 55, Umtali Old Umtali Old Umtali Nyadiri Mission, Via Salisbury Mutambara Mission, Via Umtali Mutambara Mission, Via Umtali P. O. Box 55, Umtali Old Umtali

Note - Asterisk after names of missionaries

Retired Members

Greeley, E. H. *

Sells E. L. * Taylor, H. E. *

Umtali

Preachers on Trial

Chieza, Luke

Old Umtali

Retired

Missionarles

(Add to each address, S. Rhodesia, Africa)

Adkins, Mrs. L. E. Gates, Mrs. R. C. Hansson, Miss Ruth E. James, Mrs. H. I. Mullikin, Miss Pearl Murphree, Mrs. M. J. O'Farrell, Mrs. T. A. Roberts, G. A. Mrs. Sells, Mrs. E. L. Taylor, Mrs. H. E.

Old Umtali Mrewa Old Umtali (On furlough) Old Umtali Old Umtali Nyadiri Mission, Via Salisbury Mutambara Mission, Via Umtali P. O. Box 55, Umtali

Old Umtali

Buchwalter, Mrs. R. L. Monrovia, California - U.S.A.

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society

(Add to each address, S. Rhodesia, Africa)

Benson, Miss Mildred O. Clark, Miss Grace
Gugin, Miss Irene P
King, Miss Sarah
Parmenter, Miss Ona
Penney, Miss Oril
Pfaff, Miss Jessie
Quinton, Miss Frances
Ramsey, Miss Bertha
Reitz, Miss Beulah
Scovill, Miss Ila
Shields, Miss Wilhemina
Tubbs, Miss Lulu
Whitney, Miss Alice

Old Umtali
Nyadiri Mission, Via Salisbury
Old Umtali
Native Girls Hostel, Umtali
Mutambara Mission, Via Umtali
Mutambara Mission, Via Umtali
(On furlough)
Old Umtali
Mutambara Mission, Via Umtali
(On furlough)
Old Umtali
Nyadiri Mission, Via Salisbury
Mutambara Mission, Via Umtali
Nyadiri Mission, Via Salisbury

Part XI

PASTORAL RECORD

Adkins, Liliburn E:—On trial Minnesota Conference 1925. Deacon 1925; Elder 1927; West Concord 1925-27; 1928-29 In School; Transferred to Southeast Africa Mission Conference 1930; 1930-33 Kambini Central Training School; Transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1933; 1933-35 Marange, Odzi-Old Umtali and Umtasa Circuits. 1934-35 Gandanzara Circuit.

Bourgaize, Wilfred:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1921 (Deacon and Elder); 1921 Umtasa, Gandanzara and Headlands Circuits; 1922-25 Mtoko and Uzumba Circuits, 1925-26 Mtoko Circuit; 1927-28 Superintendent Mtoko District; 1929 On furlough; 1930-35 Superintendent, Mtoko District.

Chieza, Phillip:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1927; Deacon 1932; 1927-29 Muziti; 1930-31 Chiduku Circuit; 1932 Odzi Circuit. 1933-35 Odzi-Old Umtali Circuit.

Chieza, Samuel:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1927; Deacon 1930; Elder 1933; 1927-31 Mrewa; 1931-35 Mtoko. Chimbadzwa, Josiah:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1926; Deacon 1929; Elder 1930; 1926-30 Assistant, Theological School, Old Umtali; 1931-33 Assistant Pastor Old Umtali and teacher in Hartzell Training School; 1934-35 Assistant Pastor, Old Umtali.

Chimonyo, Obadiah:—On trial Rhodesia Conference 1932; Deacon 1935; 1932-35 In School.

Chitombo, Jonah: —On Trial Rhodesia Conference 1933; Deacon 1935; 1933-35 In School; 1935 Nyadiri Circuit.

Darikwa, Isaiali:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1924; Deacon 1926; Elder 1930; 1924 Rupinda; 1925-32 Umtasa Circuit; 1932-35 Mrewa Circuit.

Faku, Clifford:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1924; Deacon 1926; Elder 1929; 1925 Old Umtali Circuit; 1925 Penhalonga; 1926-29 Assistant, Literary Department Old Umtali; 1929-31 Mtoko; 1931-33 Mrewa; 1934-35 Assistant, Literary Dept. Hartzell Training School.

Gates, John R:— On trial Rock River Conference 1905; Deacon and Elder 1906; 1906 Chicago, Edison Park; 1907 Transferred to East Central Africa Mission Conference; 1907 Umtali, St. Andrews; 1908 Ndanga District; 1909-11 District Superintendent and Old Umtali: 1912-13 on furlough; 1914-15 Vermont Conference, Northfield; 1916-20 Rhodesia, District Superintendent; 1921-22 On furlough; 1923 Umtali District and St. Andrews; 1924 Old Umtali District and St. Andrews; 1925-26 Old Umtali and Mutambara Districts and Old Umtali; 1927 28 Umtali District and St. Andrews; 1929-1935 on furlough.

Gates, Robert C.: On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1923; Deacon 1923; Elder 1927; 1923-27 Literary and Normal Department, Hartzell Training School; 1923 Old Umtali Circuit; 1924 Old Umtali Church; 1925 Old Umtali Church and Circuit; 1926 Mission Correspondent; 1927 Superintendent, Old Umtali District; 1928 On furlough; 1929-31 Superintendent, Old Umtali District and Principal Hartzell Training School; 1932 Superintendent Nyadiri District; 1933-35 Superintendent Mrewa District.

Greeley, Eddy H.:—On trial, East Central Africa Mission Conference 1907; Deacon 1909, Elder 1910; 1888 Cape Palmas Seminary, Liberia, West Africa; 1890 On furlough; 1894-95 White Plains Seminary, Liberia, West Africa; 1896 St. Paul's River Industrial School; 1897 On furlough; 1900-05 Old Umtali; 1906-10 Makomwe; 1911 On furlough; 1912-14 Old Umtali; 1915-16 Mrewa; 1917 Mtoko: 1918-20 Mission Press, Old Umtali; 1921-22 On furlough; 1923 Chiduku Circuit; 1924 Director of Language and Translations; 1925-26 Manager Rhodesia Mission Press and Editor Native Literature; 1927-35 Retired.

James, Henry I.:—On trial West Wisconsin Conference 1907; Deacon 1910; Elder 1913; 1907 Birchwood; Transferred Wisconsin Conference 1908; 1908-09 Algoma; 1910-12 Oconto; Transferred, East Central Africa Mission Conference 1913; 1913-14 St. Paul's. Penhalonga; 1915 Principal Hartzell Training School; 1916-19 Mission Treasurer; 1916 Bible Department Training School, Rhodesia Mission Press; 1917-18 Old Umtali Circuit, Principal Central Training School; 1919 On furlough; 1920-22 Superintendent, Umtali District and St. Andrew's Church; 1920-24 Mission Treasurer and Correspondent; 1923-24 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1925-26 On furlough; 1927-28 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1929-31 Superintendent Umtali District and St. Andrew's Church: 1932-34 Superintendent Old Umtali District, Principal Theological School, Pastor Old

Umtali and Mission Press. 1930-1934 Mission Treasurer and Correspondent; 1935 On furlough.

Kasambira, Silas:—On trial Rhodesia Conference, 1932: Deacon 1934; 1932-33 In school; 1934 Penhalonga; 1935 Gandanzara Circuit.

Katsidzira, Benjamin:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1924; Deacon 1926, Elder 1930; 1924-25 Nyamukwarara; 1926 Gandanzara; 1927-31 Gandanzara Circuit; 1932-34 Umtasa Circuit; 1935 Marange Circuit

Katsidzira, Hosea:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1930-31 in school; 1932-35 Mangwendi Circuit; 1935 Mangwendi and Headlands Circuits.

Katsidzira, Murashwa:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-34 Nyadiri Circuit; 1935 Supernumerary.

Kapenzi, Amos:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1928; Deacon 1930, Elder 1932; 1928-35 Assistant, Hartzell Training School (Literary Department.)

Machiri, Jonah;—On trail Rhodesia Conference 1933; Deacon 1935; 1935-1935 In school; 1935 Evangelist, Old Umtali District.

Machiri, Patrick:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-33 Chiduku Circuit; 1934 Marange Circuit; 1935 Umtasa Circuit.

Mandisodza, David:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1921; Deacon 1921; Elder 1929; 1921, Salisbury; 1922-29, Headlands Circuit. 1930-33 Umtali; 1934 Leave of absence; 1935 Supernumerary.

Maramba, Johnson:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; 1930 Assistant, Hartzell Training School; 1931-33 Mukahanana Circuit; 1934 In school; 1935 Penhalonga.

Marange, Thomas:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1923; Deacon 1926, Elder 1928; 1923 Umtali Native Church; 1924-25 Mutambara Circuit; 1926-35 Zimunya Circuit.

Marange, Titus: On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1924; Deacon 1926, Elder 1930; 1924-28 Salisbury; 1929-31 in school; 1932-33 Gandanzara Circuit; 1934-35 Umtali.

Mparutsa, Moses:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1928; Deacon 1930; Elder 1933; 1928-29 Umtali Native Church; 1930-35 Nyadiri.

Mukombiwa, Zachariah:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1926; Deacon 1929; Elder 1932; 1926 Assistant Agriculture Dept. Old Umtali; 1927-28 Penhalonga; 1929-33 Headlands Circuit; 1934-35 Chiduku Circuit.

Munjoma, Enoch:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-35 Mtoko.

Munjoma, Isaiah:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1923; Deacon 1926, Elder 1930; 1923 Umtasa Circuit; 1924 Nyakatsapa; 1925 Umtali Native Church; 1926-28 Old Umtali Circuit; 1929-35 Salisbury.

Murphree, Marshall J.:—On trial Nebraska Conference 1917; Deacon 1919, Elder 1920; Transferred Rhodesia Mission Conference 1921; 1921-23 Principal Hartzell Training School, Superintendent Old Umtali District; 1924 Superintendent Mutambara District; 1925 On furlough;

1926-31 Theological Department, Old Umtali; 1926 Gandanzara Circuit; 1927 Superintendent Rusapi District; 1928 Superintendent Old Umtali-Rusapi Districts, Rhodesia Mission Press; 1929 Rhodesia Mission Press; 1930-31 Superintendent Rusapi District, Mission Press; 1932 Superintendent Umtali-Rusapi District, St. Andrew's Church; 1933-34 On furlough; 1935 Superintendent, Old Umtali District. Principal Hartzell Training School.

Mutambanengwe, Maxin: On trial Rhodesia Conference 1932; Deacon 1934; 1932-33 In school; 1934 Gandanzara Circuit; 1935 Supernumerary.

Nduna, John:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1928; Deacon 1930, Elder 1932; Assistant, Hartzell Training School (Literary Department,) Old Umtali Circuit 1928-31; 1932-35 Teacher in Hartzell Training School Old Umtali,

Ngonyama, Reginald:—On trial Rhodesia Missicn Conference 1925; Deacon 1927, Elder 1929; 1925-26 Assistant, Mutambara Mission; 1927-28 Mutambara Circuit and Mutambara Mission; 1929-33 Marange Circuit; 1934-35 Assistant, Hartzell Training School.

O'Farrell, Thomas A.:—On trial East Central Africa Mission Conference 1910; Deacon and Elder 1910; 1910 to June, 1915 Mutambara Mission and Circuit; 1915-18 On furlough; Jan. to April, 1919 Principal Central Training School, Old Umtali; 1919-30, Mrewa Mission and Circuit; 1921-23, Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1924, On furlough; 1925-26 Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1927-31 Superintendent, Nyadiri District; 1932 On furlough; 1933-35 Superintendent, Nyadiri District.

Roberts, George A.:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1921; Deacon and Elder 1921; 1907-1908 Old Umtali, Assistant Agriculture Department; 1909-10 Old Umtali Industries. 1911 Old Umtali Agriculture and Sunday School Missionary; 1912-13 Old Umtali Agriculture Department; 1914 On furlough; 1915-18 Old Umtali Agriculture and Animal Husbandry; 1919-20 Mutambara Circuit; 1921 On furlough; 1922-23 Old Umtali Department of Agriculture and Gandanzara Circuit; 1924 Principal Hartzell Training School and Gandanzara Circuit; 1925-28 Principal Hartzell Training School and Department of Agriculture; 1929-30 On furlough; 1931-35 Superintendent Mutambara District.

Rugayo, Jackson:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-35 Mutambara Circuit.

Sells, Ernest L.:—On trial Kentucky Conference 1921; Deacon 1925, Elder 1927; 1921-22 in school; Transferred to Kansas Conference 1923; 1923-24 Winchester; 1925-27 in school; 1927-28 Elgin; Transferred to Rhodesia Mission Conference 1929; 1929-32 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1933-35 Superintendent Umtali - Rusapi District, Pastor St. Andrews Church.

Taylor, H. Erne:—On trial Rhodesia Mission Conference 1921; Deacon and Elder 1921; 1921 Old Umtali Church and Department of Agriculture; 1922-23 Mutambara, Department of Agriculture and Boys School; 1924 On furlough: 1925-28 Mutambara Mission; 1929-30 Old Umtali, Agriculture and Industrial Departments; 1931-32 On furlough; 1933-34 Principal Hartzell Training School; 1935 Old Umtali, Department of Agriculture.

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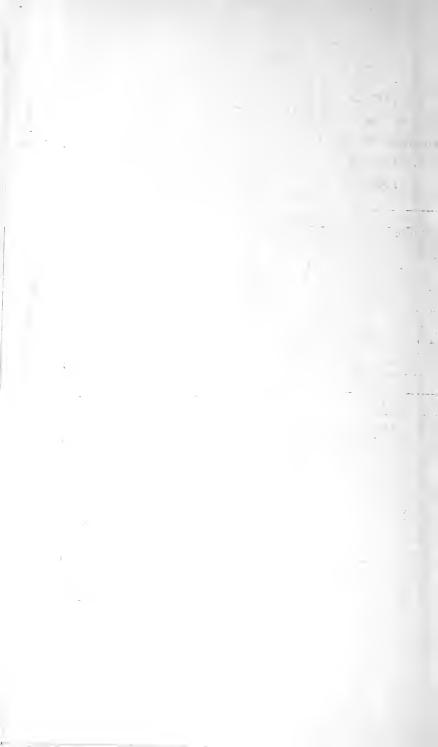
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